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Rates go down, bills go up

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - Here's the good news: Property tax rates in Wilmington are going down this year. Here's the not-so-good news: Your property tax bills are going to increase.

Chalk it up to the climbing values of the homes here in Wilmington and across the eastern region of the state. According to Principal Assessor Humphrey "Skip" Moynihan, who addressed the Board of Selectmen during a hearing at its November 27 meeting, the values of homes in Wilmington have jumped approximately \$50,000 in the past three years. Last year, a home was worth \$169,307. This year, it's worth \$220,281. That's a rise to the tune of 30%.

According to Moynihan, though, here are some facts to help the news of higher tax bills go down a

bit easier. Of the seven communities that surround Wilmington, it is Wilmington that enjoys the lowest average homeowner tax bill. Of the 351 cities and towns in the state of Massachusetts, Wilmington ranks 142 in terms of lowest residential tax bills. In fact, out of 32 communities similar to Wilmington, the town has the lowest residential tax bill.

At its meeting, the Selectmen approved the recommendations made to them by the Board of Assessors, in effect shifting 1.75% of the town's total tax levy from the homeowners to the commercial, industrial and personal property sectors of the community. The percentage marks the maximum amount that Boards of Assessors may shift from the residential sector to the others.

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Selectmen review three local sites Bridge traffic

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - At its November 27 board meeting, the Selectmen saw their agenda literally take them down many avenues - namely, Butters Row, the intersection of Routes 62 and 38, and New Boston Street in Woburn.

To summarize:

- The Selectmen announced that the Butters Row Bridge will be closed for repairs during the week of December 4th through the 8th. During this time, crews will be resurfacing the deck of the bridge. The town has made these plans known to all of the appropriate departments, particularly the Massachusetts Highway Department, which will set up the proper detour signs throughout the area surrounding the bridge.

- Town Manager Michael Caira has written a letter of request to Stephen O'Donnell, the District Highway Director of the Massachusetts Highway Depart-

ment, asking him to re-adjust the current layout of the intersection of Routes 38 and 62 here in town.

Anyone who passes through that intersection on a routine basis can see that the traffic flow there has actually bottlenecked, not improved, in the wake of the completion of the reconstructed bridge there. Observations performed by the Wilmington Police Department and the Department of Public Works reinforce the fact that motorists are still being inconvenienced with notable delays.

Quite some time ago, right turns at a red light were allowed in all directions at the intersection, but the bridge reconstruction changed that scenario. The town would like to see "no turn on red" signs removed from at least two directions at the intersection. In fact, in his letter Town Manager Caira stressed six points of interest:

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Local singer Rene Gagnon

Building her own mystery

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - You sit in the audience, carried along by the melodic grace of the talented, collective singing of a classically trained choir, when out of the pack bursts forth a voice of stunning power and boundless depth. Your eyes turn to the soloist as she effortlessly sails from high note to low, and you find yourself amazed with the affirmative answer to your own question: Is that towering, commanding sound really coming from the five-foot-tall woman in the front row of the choir?

Indeed it is. Wilmington resident Rene Gagnon may stand only five feet tall, but her singing voice is ten stories high.

"I'm sure I've been singing for as long as I can remember, having been brought up in a very musical household," says Gagnon, "but I think I consciously started developing my singing voice when I was about eleven years old."

She hasn't stopped singing since. All throughout high school and college, Gagnon acted and sang in numerous musicals, even grabbing the lead roles in productions of "Anything Goes," "Bye, Bye, Birdie," "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," and "Peter Pan." She

also participated in Junior and Senior District competitions. At one point, she was chosen to participate in All-New England, a 300-member choir representing the six states in New England. She has even sung for couples at weddings.

It was in the seventh grade, though, that the now 28-year-old Gagnon knew that she was on to something when it came to her voice. At her school in her home town of Reading, she appeared in a production of Benjamin Britten's "Noye's Fludde," which, translated, is "Noah's Flood." In that play, she performed her first solo.

"The show was terrific," remembers Gagnon. "I certainly liked having the chance to sing something on my own, even if it was only a few lines. Once I had a spotlight on me and I had the audience's attention, I thought to myself, 'I could definitely get used to this.'"

These days, Gagnon brings her vocal gifts to In Choro Novo, a professional choral ensemble that is based in Boston. Under the direction of Music Director Therese Provenzano, In Choro Novo performs a wide range of musical styles, from the soul of jazz to the grandiosity of classical music and from the finger-snapping cool of

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THE SOPRANO. Wilmington resident Rene Gagnon, who has never taken a single private singing lesson in her life, never ceases to stun and amaze audiences who at first sight would never believe that such a bigger-than-life, commanding voice could come from someone who stands just five feet tall. (Courtesy photo)

Conservation Commission

Construction sites on hold

By CHARLOTTE COOPER

WILMINGTON The Conservation Commission meeting, postponed from November 15th to the 20th due to lack of a quorum, was "to be continued" in full swing.

- 21 SENECA LANE. The hearing is continued to the next commission meeting to be held on December 6, at the applicant's request.

- NAVAJO ESTATES, an estate in planning on Chestnut Street. This public hearing was continued.

"There is still some disagreement on where the mean annual high water line is," said Assistant Director of Planning and Conservation John Keeley.

Mr. Keeley indicated that the

delineation is not obvious where the "bank" and mean annual high water (MAHW) overflow. He said that there is a large wetland on site and a small channel that drains the wetland. The small channel then drains into a perennial stream. His interpretation of the data he collected indicates that the MAHW may begin at the bank of the small channel and at the edge of the marsh upstream from it.

"A few lot line changes have been made that I need to check," said Mr. Keeley. He said that although the applicant contends that these changes are minor and in compliance with the Rivers Act of 1996, he needs to verify the information.

"I was under the impression that

any lot line changes [indicates] a new lot," Mr. Keeley said. He said that creation of new lots after 1996 must be in compliance with the Rivers Act.

- 29 BOUTWELL, LOTS 1 AND 2. This is a teardown and construction of two new dwellings. Issues include septic approvals, wetland location, and plans showing grading and both existing and proposed topography.

"This was continued because we needed more information on the plans regarding grading," said Mr. Keeley. "They still haven't created the lots and gone through the Planning Board." He said that septic hasn't been designed or approved yet.

- 311 BALLARDVALE STREET.

The application for an Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation for this lot was continued. It is a corner lot at the junction of Research Drive and Ballardvale Street and has an expansive wetland on the property. The applicant is coming before the commission for approval of the wetland line and riverfront area.

"I haven't had time to completely and thoroughly review the [extensive] wetland area," said Mr. Keeley.

Although there are no current plans for development of the site, the applicant doesn't deny future development.



LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE GOT SOME WORK TO DO Bill Kotek, right, the President of Raffi & Swanson in Wilmington, received a Dirty Dozen Award from local resident Tom Scolastico during a ceremony at the James Street property on Tuesday, November 28. The company, also known as Surface Coatings, Inc., was "honored" for its role as one of twelve locations throughout the state known for its toxic chemical emissions. The award was given by Toxics Action Center, an activist group stationed in Boston. Representative James Miceli was also present at the ceremony to help present the "award" to the none-too-pleased Kotek. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Grove Ave. dispute turns bizarre

By SHAWN P. SULLIVAN

WILMINGTON - When Grove Avenue resident Larry Howe woke up on the morning of Saturday, November 18, he discovered that his driveway was under attack.

Howe's neighbor, Nancy Slater, had allegedly roped off his driveway with yellow "caution" tape and was carving up its tar with a gas-powered cutting saw.

Initially, Howe, who is restricted to a wheelchair, did not hear the ruckus right outside of his house because the respirator in his bedroom makes just enough white noise to drown out sounds transpiring elsewhere. Howe's mother, who lives with him and is 80 years old and is also restricted to a wheelchair, did not hear the power saw, either, because she is deaf. It was,

however, Howe's mother who discovered the destructive activity that was taking place on their property when she woke up and looked out the window. She promptly woke up Howe and alerted him as to what was going on.

In no time, Wilmington police officers David Axelrod and Brian Pupa were on their way to Grove Avenue. When Howe called the police station to request help, he learned that cruisers were already on their way. Apparently, a concerned neighbor had called Howe's sister, Sandy McFeeters, and informed her what was going on in her brother's yard. McFeeters promptly called the police.

In an attempt to peacefully resolve the issue, Officers Axelrod

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Ice sculpture on the Wilmington Town Common, December 2

WILMINGTON - Once again the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club will bring added enjoyment to Christmas on the Common with a new ice sculpture carving demonstration and display created by professional sculptor, Eric Fontecchio of Brookline Ice Academy.

Try to guess what it will be this

year? Fontecchio will begin his carving at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 2. This is the eighth year the Wilmington Chamber has sponsored the event in conjunction with the town's tree lighting ceremony that will take place around 7 p.m.

Join the fun and excitement of the holiday season.



SOME UNWELCOMED LANDSCAPING. Larry Howe, of Grove Avenue in Wilmington, woke up to an unpleasant surprise on Saturday, November 18, when he allegedly found his next-door neighbor, Nancy Slater, carving into his driveway with a rented power saw. Her actions, which led to charges brought against her, were rooted in an ongoing property dispute. If you look closely, you can see the ragged marks in the pavement.

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TILL THEY'RE RED IN THE FACE. On Sunday, December 3, the new England Brass Band will perform a Christmas concert at 3 p.m. at the Congregational Church at 220 Middlesex Avenue. The musicians put in some practicing time at the church on Monday night. Above, Charlene Piercey, Randy LaRosa, John Bassett and Rob Hardy pitch in to the great sounds with their cornets. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

School Lunch Menus

Wilmington Schools

Week of December 4

Boutwell & Wildwood

Monday: Dinosaur pasta, breadstick, cheese wedges, chilled fruit, milk/juice, cookies.

Tuesday: French toast sticks with syrup, ham slice, chilled fruit, milk/juice, Jello with topping.

Wednesday: Grilled cheese sandwich, tomato soup, saltines, chilled fruit, milk/juice, goldfish crackers.

Thursday: Hot dog on a roll, French fries, whole kernel corn, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Elementary Schools

Monday: Chicken patty on a roll, tomato and cheese optional, potato rounds/wedge, seasoned peas, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Tuesday: Taco boat with ground beef, lettuce, salsa and shredded cheese, fluffy rice, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Wednesday: Rugrats chicken soup, egg muffin, carrot and celery sticks, chilled fruit, milk/juice, cookie.

Thursday: Ham and cheese or tuna salad on a roll with lettuce and tomato, French fries, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional, macaroni salad, tossed garden salad, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Middle Schools

Monday: "Chicken Your Way," chicken patty on a roll with choice of bacon, tomato and lettuce or cheese, potato rounds, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit, milk/juice, cookies.

Tuesday: Hot dog on a roll, French fries, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, Jello with topping.

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets with

assorted sauces, fluffy rice, seasoned green beans, dinner roll, chilled fruit/cranberry sauce, milk/juice, snack cake.

Thursday: Cold cut sub - ham and cheese or sliced turkey or bologna and cheese with sub fixings, pickle slices, potato chips, seasoned corn, chilled fruit, milk/juice, dessert.

Friday: Italian style pizza, pepperoni optional, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

High School

Monday: Wings, rings and other things, BBQ chicken wings, onion rings, potato rounds, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, milk/juice, nutty bar.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, creamy mashed potato, seasoned carrots, wheat bread, chilled fruit, milk/juice, snack cake.

Wednesday: "Mamma Anna's" Pasta Bar, seasoned vegetable, French bread and butter, chilled fruit, milk/juice, pudding with topping.

Thursday: Hot Dog Bar, hot dog and roll with choice of: chili, baked beans, onion, sliced tomato, shredded lettuce, grated cheese, condiments, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Friday: "Pizza, Pizza and More Pizza" (all varieties), garden salad, chilled fruit, milk/juice, ice cream.

Christmas Social at the Harnden Tavern

The Friends of Harnden Tavern are inviting the public to their Christmas Social on Sunday, December 3 from 1 - 4 p.m.

Visitors will enjoy an old fashioned holiday at Wilmington 18th century Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern which is located at the intersection of Salem (Rt 62) and Woburn Sts in North Wilmington near the Rt 93 intersection.

There will be music and refresh-

ment. Various rooms have been decorated in colonial themes of holiday decorations. A children's crafts room will entertain the youngsters.

Special features will include a Christmas Wedding Gown display and a Victorian Parlor.

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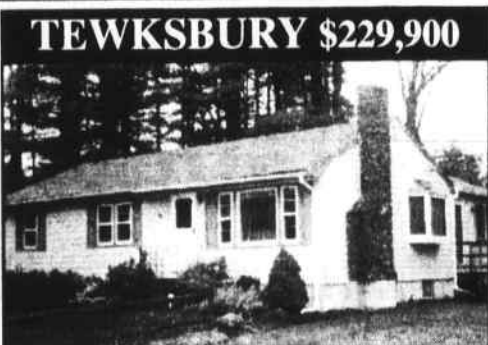
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Social Security taxes loom large among the dollars withheld from your paycheck. This year you paid 6.2 percent on wages up to \$76,200, and the wage base is expected to keep rising, up to at least \$80,100 next year. Long range, the government is predicting a wage base up to almost \$95,000 by 2005.

You can trim your FICA tax bill by taking advantage of benefits that are not subject to the tax. For instance, the money that your company puts into your 401(k) to match your contribution is completely tax-free—at least until you withdraw it at retirement. Another tax-saver is the Flexible Spending Account. Depending on your company's plan, you may be able to contribute as much as \$5,000 to cover dependent-care expenses, and between \$2,000 and \$4,000 for medical expenses.

If your company provides free transit or parking, or lets you set up a pretax account for it, this is also free of FICA taxes.

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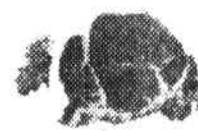
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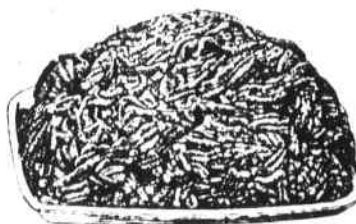
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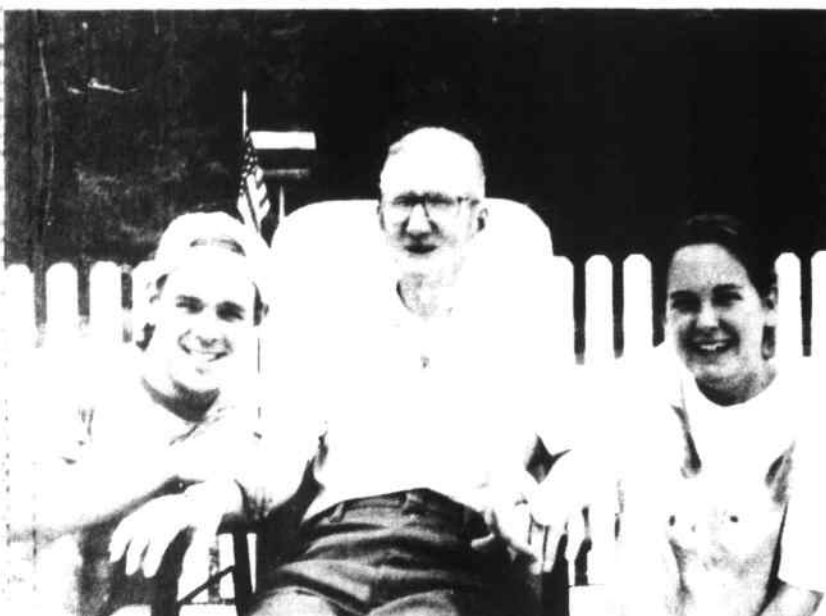
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"Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long"

... a guest editorial by Gary D. Sullivan



A MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE AND RESEARCH. Above, Lenny Kallis, center, enjoyed a moment with his grandchildren, Shawn Sullivan, left, and Kelly Sullivan, right, when their family paid him a visit at his Veterans Home in Scarborough, Maine in 1993. In the years before he passed away, Lenny suffered from Alzheimer's Disease. As November draws to a close, The Town Crier wishes to remind readers one more time that this has been National Alzheimer's Disease Month.

Sam, you made the pants too long.

It was during the early 1960s, while I was still in high school, and my uncle arrived in town to inform us that my grandmother, Nana, as she was lovingly called, was going to be committed to the Augusta Mental Health Institute. She had lived with my uncle and his family in York, Maine, for many years, but she was becoming increasingly senile and there were not enough hours in the day to adequately supervise her. This great Irish lady, a woman of strength and pride, had suffered extreme diminished mental capacity. I knew it was sad - I did not know it was inherited.

At a family wedding in the mid-1970s, my aunt, Nana's daughter, was acting strangely, repeatedly asking the same question in short intervals. It was odd because she was a lady of culture and grace. We later learned that she had her mother's "senility," but now it had a new name, "Alzheimer." I knew it was sad - I did not know it was inherited.

Several years after the death of my father, my mother married a man of great pride and strength. Like my family before, he was faced with the news that his mother was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. Eventually, she passed away, following in the footsteps of my grandmother and my aunt.

In the early 1990s, my step-dad, whose favorite song was "Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long," began to forget - little things at first, then major things. I remember the fear in his eyes, but he never spoke of it.

Those of us who are from the pre-Baby Boomer years have often struggled with lapses of memory. Many of us try to cover up such an embarrassment by making failed attempts at humor by uttering the words, "It's that old-timers disease."

November is Alzheimer's Disease Month. It is a disease which is hard to pronounce, even harder to spell, and hardest yet to accept. A better variation of its pronunciation than the aforementioned failed joke might be one which will be readily understood by anyone who has had a loved one with this horrible disease - namely, "All-timers." For as my mother went from being cared for by this gentle and kind man to being his caregiver, the limitations of time became apparent: the limits of the time necessary to care for an Alzheimer's victim and the ultimate limits of the time of one's life. Nancy L. Mace and Peter V. Rabins have written a definitive book on Alzheimer's Disease that has been aptly titled "36-Hour Day." The title refers to the amount of time required in a 24-hour period to care for a loved one with this horrific disease.

The tear in his eyes turned to confusion, as he struggled to find not only memories, but the very words to express them. By then the medical knowledge about Alzheimer's Disease had been becoming more public. Having seen it ravish two families, I not only knew how sad it was, I now knew it was, in fact, inherited.

Conversations with my step-dad became difficult. At one point I developed a realization that if I just subtracted forty years from his life I could follow and, in fact, participate in limited verbal exchanges. And, of course, he still remembered his favorite song, "Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long."

Gradually, his eyes became vacant, his voice silenced, his memory gone - yet he lived until the fourth day of January, 1996. In an edition of this paper earlier this month, my son, Shawn, wrote an editorial about his grandfather and provided information on how to learn more about Alzheimer's Disease. As the month now comes to an end, I would like to ask you to go one step further. In the spirit of the holiday season, please make a contribution to the Alzheimer's Association, the Massachusetts Chapter, at 36 Cameron Avenue in Cambridge, Massachusetts, 02140. You may also reach the association by calling the Lowell Area Branch Office at (978) 937-5576. According to their web page, www.alzmass.org, there were 585 cases of dementia in the Tewksbury/Wilmington area in 1995. I am not asking for the Nanas, aunts and step-dads of the world, for it is too late for them. I am asking for those of us who carry the disease in our bloodlines - your neighbors, your friends and possibly you. A cure is near and within our reach.

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Letters To The Editor

By Larz F. Neilson A Tale of Two Grinches

Now that there's a Grinch movie in the theaters, it is time to tell the story of the Wilmington Grinches.

The true identity of the local Grinches has been concealed, lest one of them kill this story, which he could. Suffice it to say they are both involved with a local Revolutionary War militia group.

Their costumes were boxer shorts over long johns. One wore green over purple, the other, purple over green. Combat boots or black high-top sneakers bottomed off the costumes.

They would get together on a random night just before Christmas, and go to the home of a friend, usually a fellow member of the militia group. They'd bang on the door. As soon as the door was

opened, they'd barge in, talking in gibberish. One of them would hand a card to the startled host, while the other pulled out a trash bag. They would head straight for the Christmas tree and start packing up the presents. This scene was at its best when small children were in the room, watching these idiots steal their presents.

They would then stomp out of the house, while their hosts tried to pick their jaws up from their floor. If they recovered enough to read the card, there was a poem, which said, in effect: "We're Grinches. Give us beer and we'll give back Christmas."

So the host would go to the fridge and pop a couple of cold ones for the

Grinches. Then the Grinches would bring back the presents and put them back under the tree.

The next part of the story came a few days later, on Christmas Day, when the family opened their presents. After all the presents had been handed out, there was one left under the tree. It was heavy. So they'd open it, and it would be a brick.

After a few years of this, the Grinches started to run out of people who hadn't seen the routine. So they went to the home of Chief of Police Bobby Stewart. They knocked on the door, handed out their card and marched into the living room. But - surprise - there was no tree. The Stewarts don't put

up their tree until Christmas Eve. So they had a beer and a few laughs, and it was off to another house.

In my work, I would talk with the chief often. About a year later, he opened his desk drawer and showed me a state police warrant for the two Grinches.

"If you know when they're going out," he said, "we'd love to lock them up, but no charges." He said he had told his officers to pick them up, if it could be done without interfering with more important matters.

Well, the cops never caught the Grinches. Time passed, and they've stopped their routine. Too bad. They probably could have done it for pay.

Friends of the Tewksbury Library to host December events

Dear Editor:
I am pleased to announce that the Friends of the Tewksbury Library will host the following events in December:

A Festival of Trees from Monday, December 4 through Friday, December 15 at Tewksbury Public Library. A multitude of trees will be on display throughout the library and can be viewed daily during library hours.

The opening night is December 4 from 7 to 9 at the library. Come and view beautifully decorated trees

sponsored by local community agencies.

The Carillon Ringers from Tewksbury Congregational Church will provide music for the evening. Door prizes and refreshments will be provided from 8 to 9 p.m. in the meeting room. Come and experience the magic of the holiday season by attending this special community event. Make this a definite part of your holiday plans!

Thank you
Angel Fontaine,
Secretary

Rotary Interact thanks you

Dear Editor:
The Rotary Interact Club of Wilmington would like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" for your generosity. As you are aware, the Wilmington Rotary Club hosted their annual Rotary Auction a couple of weeks ago. The Rotarians graciously invited us to take part in. This was the Rotary Interact's second year participating in this event. We are proud to say that the auction was an overwhelming success. With your support, we were able to achieve our goal of raising money to support our international and community service projects.

Once again, we would like to thank you for your generosity. Without your support, none of our

success would have been possible. There is a saying that Interact correlates with rather well. It says, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Thanks to you and your commitment to the importance of community involvement, together we are able to make this statement a reality. We look forward to your continued support in the future. Thank you for helping us help others.

Sincerely,
Richard Palizzolo
President
The Rotary Interact Club of Wilmington

Would you like butter with that?

Dear Editor:
I would like to thank everyone who bought popcorn from Pack 56 Cub Scouts.
The people of Wilmington helped me reach my goal of 1,147.

Have a nice holiday. I hope you all enjoy your popcorn.

Travis Reynolds
Cub Scout Bear

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Financial aid workshop at Wilmington High School

WILMINGTON - The Wilmington High School Guidance Department will sponsor a Financial Aid Workshop Tuesday, December 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

The key speaker for the meeting will be Ms. Pam Walker, Assistant Director of Financial Aid at Endicott College. Ms. Walker will offer a presentation on financial aid and financing higher education. She will be discussing the CSS Financial Aid Profile, the FAFSA, eligibility, opportunities and

sources, and steps in meeting educational costs.

Information on state, private and local scholarships will be presented. Opportunity for questions and answers will be provided. Financial Aid Forms and other materials will be distributed.

All parents are encouraged to attend this very informative meeting.

Parents may contact the Guidance Office with any questions at 694-6068.

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Having a hard time? Feeding your family? Call Project Bread's Food Source Hotline at 1-800-645-8333. The Hotline is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

All day, every day: Free blood pressure clinic at Wilmington Fire Station; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., weekends included. No appointment necessary.

Tues., Thurs: Evenings at 7 and Friday at 10 a.m., Internet classes at Wil. Mem. Library. Call 658-2967.

Thursday evenings: Merrimack Valley Chorus open rehearsals/auditions, 7:30 p.m., Wil. Arts Council, Rte. 62. Call 978-851-7764; www.merrimackvalleychorus.com

LaLeche League monthly support meetings open to pregnant and nursing mothers. Call accredited leaders for dates/times/locations of Billerica area meetings; 978-256-4804.

Fri., Dec. 1: 3:30 p.m., at Wil. Mem. Lib. Children's Librarian Susan MacDonald will meet all young patrons interested in discussing the Lion, the Witch and the

Wardrobe. Call 658-2967.

Sun., Dec. 3: 1 to 4 p.m., Christmas Social at the Harnden Tavern; Rt. 62 @ Rt. 93. Sponsored by the Friends of Harnden Tavern the event will include music, refreshments, holiday decorations, children's crafts room, wedding gown display and a Victorian parlor.

Sun., Dec. 3: 3 p.m., New England Brass Band Concert at Congregational Church; 220 Middlesex Avenue. \$5 adults. Call 658-2264.

Wed., Dec. 6: 5:50 to 7 p.m. Holiday Reception for Wil. Chamber of Commerce members and guests at Rocco's Restaurant. Call 978-657-7211.

Sat., Dec. 9-17: Lisa Gustafson and Christie Sullivan will appear in the Nutcracker at the Chevalier Theatre, Forest Street, Medford. Call 781-665-2236.

Wed., Dec. 13: 10 a.m., at Wil. Mem. Lib; winter stories, finger plays and traditional singing for preschoolers and their families. Call 658-2967.

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Wilmington and Tewksbury Post Offices Collecting toys for Toys for Tots

WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY - Wilmington and Tewksbury Post Offices are taking part in the Marine Corps Reserve "Toys for Tots" program.

Charles Boncore, Postal Service coordinator, said the two postal facilities are among 24 in the Middlesex-Central District that will serve as collection centers for toys for needy children.

"Please donate a new, unwrapped toy," Boncore urged, adding, "Remember, the toys needed are for all age groups, even teenagers, to open on Christmas morning."

Boncore said persons wishing to donate toys can take them to the Wilmington Post Office, 18 Church St., or Tewksbury Post Office, 1751 Main Street, by December 20.

Boncore, who has been affiliated with the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program since 1979, said more than 5,000 toys were collected by 19 post offices last year.

Persons wishing more information can call Boncore at 978-664-7085 or 781-937-8707, or the postal installations: 978-658-2121, James Quinn, Wilmington postmaster; or 978-851-6141, Kathleen Goodson, Tewksbury postmaster.

Governor's Special Achievement award Citation for Outstanding Performance Gov. Cellucci honors Geri Pondelli

WILMINGTON - September 27, Geri Pondelli of Wilmington was presented a Governor's Special Achievement award and a Citation for Outstanding Performance by Governor Argeo Paul Cellucci and Lt. Governor Jane Swift at the Commonwealth's 17th annual Performance Recognition Awards Dinner at the Hynes Convention Center. The dinner is a culmination of the Commonwealth's employees recognition program, designed to highlight and reward outstanding performance by public sector employees.

Geri Pondelli, of the Payroll Bureau in the Comptroller's Office, received the awards for her special contribution as part of a multi-department team that witnessed two major accomplishments in the area of technology: the successful enhancement of the Commonwealth's systems to ensure Y2K compliance and the implementation of the Commonwealth's new human resources management and compensation system (HR/CMS). Comptroller Martin Benison said "I am pleased that Geri was chosen for this honor. Her continued dedication to this office insures that Commonwealth services are delivered

efficiently and effectively. This award is one small way the Commonwealth is able to thank employees like Geri for their efforts."

Governor Cellucci said "As we look toward the future, exemplary public employees will continue to be one of the Commonwealth's most valuable assets. More than ever your creativity, leadership and dedication will be the keys to our success. We hope that you will continue to feel the satisfaction and pride that comes from knowing that your work positively affects the lives of so many of your fellow citizens...We extend our congratulations to those honored tonight, and we thank all of the dedicated public employees who meet their daily challenges with commitment, pride and enthusiasm."

Secretary of Administration and Finance, Stephen P. Crosby, added his congratulations. "Tonight's program is dedicated to those public employees who have worked hard to make a difference in Mass. It is a privilege to present awards to these exceptional public servants. They have demonstrated a commitment to do their very best for the citizens of the Commonwealth each and every day."

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First Thursday: Of Each month, 7 p.m., Shawshen River Watershed Assoc. meets at Blair House, Erlin Terrace. Call 978-686-7050.

Third Sat., of each month: Good Will Industries at Tewks. DPW from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to collect computers and tvs. Donation of \$5 will be requested.

Thurs., Nov. 30: SERVE N.E. sign up 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Tewks. Senior Center. Call 851-3344 for more information.

Sat., Dec. 2: 10 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Santa Claus will visit Minute Photo, 2144 Main St., Tewks. Children invited. Proceeds benefit Toys for Tots. Call 978-658-5556.

Sat., Dec. 2: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Annual Christmas Fair at Tewks.

Congregational. Public invited.

Mon., Dec. 4-Fri., Dec. 15: Festival of Trees at Tewks. Pub. Lib.; 7 to 9 opening night.

Thurs., Dec. 7: First of two Tewks. Council on Aging Christmas Dinners.

Thurs., Dec. 7: 7 p.m., TMHS DECA Fashions Throughout the Day (fashion show). TMHS. Call 978-640-7825.

Fri., Dec. 8: Second Tewks. Council on Aging Christmas dinner.

Sat., Dec. 9: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Tewks. WalMart, drop off Pepsi Notes. Tewks. Band will perform at 10 a.m.

Tues., Dec. 12: 7 to 9 p.m., Tewks. public schools financial aid workshop for parents and guardians in the auditorium at TMHS. Call 978-640-7838.

Sun., Dec. 17: 2 p.m., Tewks. Band, Chorus and Jazz Band will perform their 35th annual Children's Winter Holiday Concert. Call 978-640-7825 ext. 31.

Financial aid workshop Dec. 12

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Public Schools will present a Financial Aid Workshop for Parents and Guardians and for high school students who are planning to attend two or four year colleges following graduation. This program will take place Tuesday, December 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the auditorium of Tewksbury Memorial High School.

This workshop is of particular importance to Parents and Guardians of students in Grade 12 and to members of the Senior Class who have or are planning to make application to attend college in September 2001. The decision to attend a two or four year college after high school graduation represents a significant financial commitment on the part of parents and students. This workshop is designed to provide parents, guardians, and students with information useful in meeting that financial commitment.

Keynote presenters include Ms. Judy Keyes, Director of Financial Aid, University of Massachusetts Lowell, and Ms. Jennifer Miller, Education Financing Representative, Citizens Bank. Ms. Keyes will provide detailed information on the Financial Aid process, explain which forms to fill out and when, and discuss any charges in the process and timelines for completing and filing out the FAFSA and the CSS/Financial Aid Profile. Ms. Miller will provide information on the types of loans available for funding higher education, the borrowing process and the expected repayment of loans.

For more information, please call the TMHS Guidance Counselors at 978-640-7838 or Dr. Michele F. DeAngelis, Director of Student Services for the Tewksbury Public Schools, at 978-640-7837.

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FOOD, FUN, AND PRIZES - Chairman Barbara Metcalf (L) and Chef Rita Fortier (R) pick a raffle winner at the Emblem Club's annual Embola.

Emblem Club hosted a packed hall for Embola

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury-Wilmington Emblem Club No. 381 reports the huge success of their annual Embola held recently at the Elks Lodge in Tewksbury. Members from other Emblem Clubs as well as residents from the Tewksbury and Wilmington areas filled the hall to capacity. It was a great evening for everyone.

Rita Fortier, Club President, charter member and chef, cooked her famous turkey potpie dinner for all those in attendance with other club members assisting her. Beside the turkey potpie the Emblem member served a garden salad, Italian bread with butter, coffee and tea. For dessert, was a chocolate brownie which the Emblem members made and were served with vanilla ice cream. Rita received many accolades from all

the guests for the delicious meal and her excellent cooking.

Many of those in attendance left with lovely prizes that had been donated by various individuals. Special thanks to the Elks and Lodge No. 2070 who donated gifts and supplies, for the use and setting up of the Elks Hall.

Praise and thanks are also extended to the Emblem members who were instrumental in the success of the Embola, and to Vice President Barbara Metcalf, chairman.

A 50/50 drawing was held for a scholarship in the memory of Massachusetts State Past President Elsa Criscitello.

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For information regarding Winchester Hospital's Senior Health Partnership's Walking Program for seniors, call 781-756-4774.

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First and third Mon.: 10 to 11:30 a.m. at 12 Beacon St., Stoneham. On-going grief support group. Open to all. Call 781-438-3770, ext. 689.

Wed., Dec. 13: 7 p.m., General information meeting at Florence Crittenton League, Inc., 119 Hall St., Lowell. Call 978-452-9671.

DECA Fashion Show Dec 7th

TEWKSBURY - Tewksbury Memorial High School DECA will hold its seventh annual fashion show, "Fashions Throughout the Day," to benefit MDA, Thursday, December 7 beginning at 7 p.m.

The event is scheduled to take place at Tewksbury Memorial High School, produced by TMHS marketing students and directed by Mr. Jim Sullivan. Admission is set at \$9 per person.

For more information contact Jim Sullivan, TMHS Marketing Dept., 978-640-7825 or Jennifer Drees, MDA Program Coordinator at 978-777-0333.

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Obituaries

Joseph Alabiso: 20 years with Sweetheart Plastics

STONEHAM - Joseph Alabiso, 94, died suddenly of a coronary after being stricken at home Monday, November 20, 2000. He was the husband of Elizabeth B. (Nalli). Born, raised and educated in Boston; he was the son of the late

Angelo and Maria (Ferro) Alabiso. Mr. Alabiso was employed over 20 years as a machinist for the Sweetheart Plastic Corporation in Wilmington. He lived in Stoneham for the past 42 years and was active in Stoneham's 60 Plus Club.

In addition to his wife he is survived by his son Paul and his wife Susan of Tewksbury; two grandchildren John and Janelle Alabiso of Tewksbury; a sister, Gloria Mangano of Stoneham and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Stoneham Sunday, November 25 at 10 a.m. Arrangements were under the direction of the Anderson-Bryant Funeral Home, 4 Common St., Stoneham.

Beatrice E. Fitzgerald; retired employee of Baird Company

TEWKSBURY - Beatrice E. (Meuse) Fitzgerald, 78, died Sunday afternoon, November 26, 2000, at Palm Manor Nursing Care Center in Chelmsford following a lengthy illness. She was the widow of Harvey V. Fitzgerald who died in 1974.

Born in Reading November 27, 1921, she was a daughter of the late Leslie and Margaret Meuse. She lived in Malden before moving to Tewksbury 44 years ago. She was employed in electronic

assembly for Baird Company in Bedford, and earlier worked at Western Electric in No. Andover and Semi Con in Burlington.

Mrs. Fitzgerald was a communicant of St. William's Church.

She is survived by two daughters and a son-in-law, Karen Pearlstein, Denise (Hurlburt) Looney and her husband Gerald Looney all of Tewksbury, and a son and daughter-in-law, Harvey V. and his wife Ann (Glass) Fitzgerald Jr. of Largo,

Fla.; four sisters, Christine Meuse of Wakefield, Gladys Brown of Reading, Shirley Meuse of Malden, Carol Melanson of Haverhill; a brother, Robert Meuse of Colorado Springs, CO; five grandchildren, Leonard and Matthew Pearlstein, Dawn Horne, Michael Fitzgerald, Robert Hurlburt, and three great-grandchildren, Vincent, Taylor and Michael.

She was also the sister of the late Richard Meuse.

Her funeral is scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday from the Tewksbury Funeral Home, corner of Dewey and Main Sts. (Rte. 38) Tewksbury Center, followed by a funeral mass in St. William's Church, 1351 Main St. (Rte. 38) Tewksbury and burial in Tewksbury Cemetery.

Memorial donations made to Saints Memorial Medical Center, Oncology Clinic, Hospital Dr., Lowell, MA 01852 will be appreciated.

Isabelle J. Grunderway; family in Tewksbury

MEDFORD - Isabelle J. (Marsh) Grunderway, 90, died November 23, 2000 at the North Cambridge Nursing Home.

She was the widow of Lawrence Grunderway and daughter of James

and Luella (Wiley) Marsh.

Born in Burtsett, Arkansas, she was a resident of West Medford for more than 57 years. She was the wife of Edward Carey for 25 years and the widow of Lawrence Grunderway after 47 years of marriage; he died on her 90th birthday.

She moved to Massachusetts in the mid 1930's and worked for many years for the B.F. Goodrich Co. in Watertown until they moved to Ohio, when she retired and helped raise her grandchildren.

A member of the Union Baptist Church in Cambridge for many years she transferred membership to the Shiloh Baptist Church of West Medford in the early 1960's. She enjoyed gardening, singing in the Gospel Choirs and listening to Gospel music. Most of all, she was devoted to her family.

Isabelle leaves three daughters, Edwina Middleton and her husband James of Tewksbury, Virginia Davis of Roxbury and Letha Roberts and her husband Lawrence of West

Medford; 15 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren; her sister-in-law Dorothy Marsh of Cambridge; a special friend Phyllis A. Douglas of Medford, and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services are scheduled from the West Medford Baptist Church at 10:30 a.m. December 2, followed by interment in V.A. National Cemetery, Bourne. Arrangements are under the direction of Beals-Geake-Magliozzi Funeral Home of Medford.

Francis W. Manos teachers' assistant, Peabody Vocational High School

WILMINGTON - Francis W. Manos, 58, of Wilmington, formerly of Peabody, husband of Julie (Shracia) Manos, died Wednesday evening, November 22, 2000 at Winchester Hospital after being stricken at home.

Born in Peabody, he was the son of William Manos of Peabody and the late Elsie (Rosa) Manos. He was a resident of Danvers for 17 years prior to moving to Wilmington where he has lived for the past eight years.

A graduate of Peabody High School, Class of 1960, he attended Franklin Institute and Wentworth

where he received a degree in electrical engineering.

Mr. Manos was employed for Eastman Gelatin in Peabody for 30 years as an industrial mechanic having retired in 1998. He was presently employed as a teacher's assistant at Peabody Vocational High School in the automotive class.

A Vietnam era veteran he served in both the Army and Navy. He was a member of Stokers Hot Rod Car Club and enjoyed photography.

In addition to his widow and father he is survived by two sons and a daughter-in-law, William and Deborah Manos of North Reading

and Ernest Manos of Danvers; two daughters, Jennifer Manos of Danvers and Marilyn Manos of Wilmington; a brother, Paul Manos of CA; two sisters, Helen Decoulas and Estelle Cabral both of Peabody. Seven grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services were scheduled for Wednesday morning from the Conway, Cahill-Brodeur Funeral Home, 20 Church St., Peabody followed by a funeral mass at St. John the Baptist Church, 16 Church Street.

Ernestine M. Prentiss renowned New England artist, Copley Master, life member of Copley Society of Boston

WILMINGTON - Ernestine "Tina" M. Prentiss, 89 of Wilmington, died Monday, November 20, 2000 at Winchester Hospital. She was the widow of Goodwin Ryder Prentiss.

Born in Boston and raised in Somerville, she was the daughter of the late Ernest Bismarck and Isabelle (Boyce) McLean. She graduated from Somerville High School with the Class of 1929 and from Mass. College of Art. She taught school in Somerville and Boston.

Tina Prentiss was a renowned artist whose series of paintings, "Symbolic Portraits of Famous New Englanders," is in the permanent

collection of the Smithsonian. She worked in a variety of mediums, oil, watercolor, acrylic and wood. One of her sculptures "Husband" is featured in the lobby of the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington, DC. She had a number of one man art shows and received artistic awards in national competitions, as well as in Australia. Each year she donated one of her paintings to the Channel 2 Auction. Mrs. Prentiss also wrote restaurant reviews.

She was a Copley Master and Life Member of the Copley Society of Boston; a member of the Cambridge Art Association, the Concord

Art Association, the Arts group in Wilmington; the League of Women Voters of Wilmington and ZONTA, a professional woman's group.

Mrs. Prentiss is survived by two sons, Paul M. Prentiss of Springfield and Earle L. Prentiss of Reading; three grandchildren, Heather Oliver and Seth Prentiss both of Reading and Tracy Prentiss of North Reading and two great-grandchildren, Nicholas and Emily Oliver.

Funeral services were held from the Anderson-Bryant Funeral Home, 4 Common St., Stoneham Monday, November 27.

Charles F. Rochford Electrician at Charlestown Navy Yard

Charles F. Rochford, 79, a resident of Wilmington and formerly of Charlestown for many years, died on November 18th after a lengthy illness at the Sunbridge Nursing Home in North Reading.

Born in Beverly, MA 79 years ago, Mr. Rochford worked at the Charlestown Navy Yard as an electrician for many years. A Veteran of World War II, with service in the 334th Infantry Regiment in the European, Middle-East Theatre of Operations, Mr. Rochford was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Thomas church, in Wilmington, on Monday at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Rochford was the husband of Alice (Crowley) Rochford. He also leaves a daughter Ellen Sullivan and her husband Steve of Wilmington. He was the grandfather of Colleen McEarly, Amanda Cosgrove and had one great grand-

son Jacob Sincus.

Arrangements were by the

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DRAWING CONCLUSIONS

Those who contemplate the meaning of life may complain that there are too few clues. The more light-hearted among us may suggest that we come to the end of our lives just as we are getting good at living. Of course, if life were so easy to decipher, there would be little need for philosophers and the many volumes of discourse they have given to the subject of life and living. The Danish philosopher Soren Kierkegaard has tied life in a succinct little knot with the words, "Life can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forwards."

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Building her own mystery

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show tunes to the uplift of gospel. The group is comprised of 26 professionals, all of whom have jobs in such fields as education and retail and computer science and more. The diversity in these individuals is linked solidly by a common passion for music and a desire to sing, sing, sing.

"I have never had a private lesson for my voice in my life," says Gagnon. "I have taken lessons for drums and the flute and the French horn and the trumpet, and I currently play the piano and the guitar, but I've never given any thought to taking singing lessons. I guess I've gotten all of my instruction from Therese Provenzano, considering that I have been under her direction since I was a student in her choir at Fitchburg State College."

Just in time for the season, In Choro Novo will be performing a flurry of holiday-themed concerts. On Thursday, November 30, one will be given at Brookline First Light in Brookline. On Saturday, December 2, the choral will give a joint performance with the St. Eulalia's Church Choir in Winchester. The next day, on Sunday, December 3, In Choro Novo will have a concert at Winthrop Playmakers in Winthrop. Six days later, on Saturday, the ninth, a holiday concert will echo throughout the halls of Marsh Chapel at Boston University. In Choro Novo is a non-profit organization, so the admission is free, but donations at the door are appreciated.

You can trust that in the days leading up to the concert Gagnon will stick to a strict game plan designed to keep that voice strong. Singing in the car? That'll be on hold, no matter how catchy the songs on the radio. Singing in the shower? Not if she wants to be as

good as Gene Kelly in "Singin' in the Rain."

"I also have to stay away from concerts and other places where you have to raise your voice to be heard," adds Gagnon. "I stay away from dairy products too because they coat your throat. The truth is, I live on Ricola drops."

Does she get stage-frightened?

"It's peculiar, actually," answers Gagnon. "I get terrible stage fright, but only after I perform. I work myself into such a deep focus before I perform, so I really don't have the time or the energy to get nervous. Once my last note is done, though, my hands start shaking like a California earthquake."

Proving that she can switch gears from cultured and classical to cool and contemporary, Gagnon also likes to transport her voice from the hallowed halls of chapels to the grungier settings of garages and basements and living rooms. Enter the Caution Dogs, a fun cover band kick-started by her older brothers, Greg and Glen Bergeron, and family friends Tom D'Entremont, of Tewksbury, and Chip Abbott, of Wilmington.

"I started singing with them a few years ago when they decided to broaden their repertoire with some 'female' tunes," says Gagnon. "Performing with them is an incredible experience because up until now I haven't had the opportunity to sing any cool contemporary music, such as the kind that I hear on the radio. Well, finally I am singing stuff by Sarah McLachlan, Jewel and 10,000 Maniacs."

Gagnon considers herself to be most influenced by such established musicians as Natalie Merchant, Celine Dion, Sting, The Beatles, Queen and Tori Amos, but it is McLachlan, the artist behind

such hits as "Building a Mystery," who she admires the most.

Says Gagnon, "If you listen to Sarah McLachlan's song 'Good Enough' on her album 'Fumbling Towards Ecstasy,' you can hear her low, quiet, calming voice as she tries to be a defender and a source of comfort for the subject of the song, who is an abuse victim. Yet on the same album, she switches into a high, passionate, angry voice with jilted tones, as she sings about a woman whose husband is suffering through a terminal illness. Even though both songs are pretty dark, she conveys each in a different character, going from lyrical to the depths of despair. Keeping your voice flexible and multi-faceted is incredibly important in keeping your music fresh and interesting."

Gagnon no doubt applied such insight when writing, singing, and recording the one song that certainly remains closest to her heart. In 1999, Gagnon sang and recorded a song called "Home." When she and her husband, David, got married last year, she surprised her groom when "Home" played at the reception as they shared their first dance as husband and wife. Her husband had never heard the song before and was unaware that she had recorded anything recently. Indeed, the two of them were half way through their dance together

before he realized that, hey, that was his wife singing their song!

Before I wrote the song I remember thinking to myself that I had no idea what I was going to give to Dave that would be timeless and meaningful and representative of how much our wedding day was going to mean to me," remembers Gagnon, who wrote and recorded the song three weeks before the big day. "To me, the song describes how I feel when he and I are together. I feel secure, happy, comfortable and loved. No matter where we go, when I am with him I feel like I am home."

Naturally, Dave, who knows a thing or two about music himself, is quite impressed by his wife.

"Obviously, I'm biased, but I do love her voice," he says. "I guess the thing that amazes me every time I see her perform is that such a rich, big, booming sound can come out of such a little person. Her voice is her instrument of self expression, and she makes her points boldly and beautifully."

A five-foot-tall singer with a ten-story singing voice.

Come to think of it, perhaps that ten-story height is merely the springboard from which all notes, high and low, soft and strong, leap from the inside of Rene Gagnon and soar to where even the angels can hear her sing.

Bizarre dispute

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and Pupa took down the yellow tape and approached Slater and explained to her that she had to stop what she was doing. Slater, a 55-year-old teacher within the school system of Goldtown, New Hampshire, allegedly claimed that the driveway was in fact her property. In essence, Slater maintained that she was removing Howe's driveway from her property. The two officers repeated to Slater that she needed to stop and encouraged her to consult surveyors to help her resolve her property and border dispute with the Howes. Shortly after, the officers left.

Says Howe, "As soon as the police officers took off, she put up the yellow tape again and started cutting." The police were called back to the scene, and at approximately 7:15 a.m. Slater was arrested and charged with the malicious destruction of property and disturbing the peace.

"She did some considerable damage to that driveway," says Deputy Chief Bernard Nally. "She even had prying tools."

Slater had allegedly rented the cement-cutting saw from a rental company in Bedford, New Hampshire.

Slater was arraigned at Woburn District Court on Monday, November 20. The case against her has been continued to Wednesday, December 6.

Despite repeated attempts, Slater

was unable to be reached by this newspaper for comment.

As for Howe, he remains a bit rattled. The incident, he says, happens to be the fourth or fifth one in which he had to call the police because Slater had allegedly been on his property. Situations involving borders and property lines have plagued the Grove Avenue neighborhood for quite some time.

"It's a very nerve-racking situation," says Howe. "She refuses to accept reality. We are concerned about what she is capable of doing next."

Howe says that the damage done to his driveway has made it difficult for him to move across it in his wheelchair.

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Bridge traffic

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1) Remove the "No Turn on Red" sign in the northbound direction of Route 38 and designate a "Left Turn Only" lane.

2) Remove the "No Turn on Red" sign pointing eastbound on Route 62, otherwise known there as Burlington Avenue, and designate a "Right Turn Only" lane.

3) Keep the "No Turn on Red" sign going southbound on Route 38, but also designate a "Left Turn Only" lane.

4) Keep the "No Turn on Red" sign pointing westbound on Route 62, otherwise known there as Church Street, but also designate a "Left Turn Only" lane.

5) Adjust the timing on the traffic signals at the intersection, so as to provide for appropriate delays.

6) Improve upon the traffic marking and clarify the signs posted at the intersection.

Says Cairra, "We believe that the implementation of these recommendations will improve traffic flow without jeopardizing vehicular and pedestrian safety."

At the November 27 meeting, Cairra informed the Selectmen that he has not heard about any proposed intersection changes from the Massachusetts Highway Department in the days since he sent his November 17 letter.

• Would the commuter relief in Wilmington from the new I-93 interchange evaporate if the City of Woburn moves ahead with the

reconstruction of its new Boston Street Bridge? The Board of Selectmen certainly believes that would be the case.

"Residents of the Town of Wilmington have been disproportionately affected by industrial-based traffic from the City of Woburn for many years," Cairra has recently told Luisa Paiewonsky, the Secretary of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. "It is the feeling of the Board of Selectmen that reopening the New Boston Street Bridge will only recreate the horrendous traffic that Wilmington has had to endure."

Specifically, Cairra and the board are concerned that the project of revamping the bridge will be considered by the state to be included in the Regional Transportation Plan that has been designed for the Boston Metropolitan area.

"The town is officially opposed to such an action," states Cairra.

The bridge, which has been closed for decades, is situated at the southernmost end of Woburn Street, just a pinch beyond the Wilmington-Woburn line.

Selectmen James Rooney recommended that representatives from the MPO attend the board's next meeting on December 11 and hear comments and offer feedback on the matter.

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Rates down, bills up

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Said Moynihan, "This represents the best scenario that we can offer to the residential home owner at this time."

For the Fiscal Year 2001, the tax levy in Wilmington will be \$35.5 million, an increase from last year's total of \$33.7 million.

Here's how the shift looks on paper.

In 2001 the complete value of the Town of Wilmington will be approximately \$2.1 billion. (Last year, the town's value was lower at \$1.7 billion.) Seventy-three percent of the property in Wilmington is residential and 27% of the property is either commercial, industrial, or personally owned. Now that the

Selectmen have approved Moynihan's recommended shift of 1.75% of the tax burden, residents will foot only 52% of the bill, as opposed to 73%. The remaining sectors combined will carry 48% of the tab.

In essence, the residential tax rate will be \$12.17 per \$1,000, a figure that represents a 15% decrease from last year. Here's a reminder of that top-of-the-article twist, though: Due to the increased value of Wilmington homes, residential tax bills are going to jump 11%. To elaborate, the tax bill for a Wilmington homeowner for the 2001 Fiscal Year will be \$2,680. Last year, the bill was \$2,431.

The tax rate of commercial,

industrial and personally owned property -- which, incidentally, is called the "CIP rate" -- will be \$29.54 per every thousand dollars. That dollar figure marks a 7% decrease from last year's rate, but, again, the CIP tax bill is going to jump by one percent.

By law, all Boards of Assessors throughout the Commonwealth are required to perform these re-evaluations every three years.

Selectman Daniel Wandell summed up the brighter side of having the town's tax bill rise even as its rate falls.

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Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, November 13

Two hub caps were stolen from a vehicle parked on Merrimack Meadows Lane.

Two vehicles were broken into at a Main Street business.

Flow lights were stolen from a truck on Main Street.

Paul T. Casey, 38, of Tewksbury, was taken into protective custody.

Tuesday, November 14

Traffic accidents occurred on East Street and Andover Street.

Hit and runs happened on Main Street and Shawsheen Street.

A breaking and entering was reported on Berkeley Street.

Wednesday, November 15

A canteen truck was damaged on Heritage Drive.

Thursday, November 16

Traffic accidents occurred on Andover Street and Main Street.

A yard was maliciously damaged on Kingfisher Road.

Something was thrown from a bus and struck and broke the windshield of a nearby vehicle on Main Street.

Iris Ortega, 28, of Lowell, was arrested on two warrants.

Friday, November 17

Traffic accidents occurred on Main Street and Pine Street.

Materials were stolen from a car owned by a Main Street business.

A vehicle parked at a Main Street business was stolen.

Joseph Kenney, 45, of Burlington, was arrested for shoplifting; attaching plates to a vehicle; and for a warrant.

Joseph E. Shanahan III, 25, of Swampscott, was taken into protective custody.

Monday, November 13

Daniel C. Parrish, 25, of Woburn, was taken into protective custody.

Saturday, November 18

A traffic accident occurred on Main Street.

Jesus Olavarria, 25, of Lowell, was arrested on four drug-related warrants and one vehicle-related warrant.

William McIyer, 39, of Lowell, was arrested for failing to have his vehicle inspected; attaching plates to a vehicle; operating a vehicle after suspension; operating an unregistered vehicle; and operating an uninsured vehicle.

Sunday, November 19

A traffic accident occurred on Main Street.

A case of domestic assault and battery on Pondview Lane was reported.

Scott C. Landry, 17, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Monday, November 20

An assault on two people on Main Street was reported.

A traffic accident occurred on Sheridan Lane.

Eric P. Swanson, 17, of Billerica, was arrested for operating a vehicle after suspension and speeding.

Tuesday, November 21

A hit-and-run happened on Main Street.

Traffic accidents occurred on Lowe Street and Main Street.

A license plate was stolen from a vehicle at a department store on Main Street.

James M. McQuesten, 19, of

Tyngsboro, was arrested on a warrant.

Wednesday, November 22

A traffic accident occurred on Main Street.

A mailbox was damaged on Judith Drive.

Timothy Bradley, 41, of Derry, NH, was arrested for OUI; operating a vehicle after suspension; failing to obey traffic signals.

Eduardo Reguero, 45, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant for assault and battery.

Michael E. Beardsley, 32, of Dracut, was arrested for operating without a license and speeding.

Timothy M. London, 37, of Tewksbury, was arrested for carrying a dangerous weapon and the illegal possession of a Class D substance.

Thursday, November 23

A business on Woburn Street was vandalized.

Traffic accidents occurred on Main Street and Hill Street.

Richard Cann, 26, of Wilmington, was arrested for operating a vehicle after suspension.

A vehicle was stolen and damaged on Pinnacle Street.

A shoplifter was apprehended for stealing from a Main Street store.

A window was broken at a house on Trull Road.

Friday, November 24

Traffic accidents occurred on Andover Street, Kendall Road, Main Street and Livingston Street.

A license plate was stolen from a vehicle parked in the lot of a Main Street store.

A vehicle was stolen from the lot of the Main Street store mentioned above.

Saturday, November 25

Kevin C. Breon, 46, of Cambridge, was arrested for falsifying and/or stealing motor vehicle documents.

Sherief Ayoub, 26, of New York City, was arrested for OUI; operating a vehicle with defective equipment; and speeding.

A hit-and-run occurred on Main Street.

A generator was stolen during a breaking & entering at a Main Street business.

A statue of the Virgin Mary was stolen from the yard of a Patriot Road residence.

Sunday, November 26

John Pimentel, 19, of Tewksbury, was arrested for the possession of a Class B substance and the intent to distribute.

Eric Cavanaugh, 34, of Derry, NH, was arrested on a warrant.

A rock was thrown through the rear window of a car on South Street.

A vehicle was stolen on Main Street.

Traffic accidents occurred on Route 495, Chandler Street, Main Street, Chapman Road, East Street, River Road, Clark Road and Andover Street.

Damage was done to Christmas decorations on a lawn on Rockvale Road.

A hit-and-run happened on Andover Street.

A pumpkin was thrown through the front window of an Oak Road residence.



NO WRINKLES? CHECK. Troop 56 Cub Scouts Stephen Godfrey, center, and Jonathan Whitcomb, right, had their uniforms inspected by Wilmington Officer Chip Bruce during a formal inspection at their meeting at Congregational Church on Church Street in Wilmington on Monday, November 20. (Stephen Rohrbacher photo)

Wilmington Police Log

Monday, November 13

Traffic accidents occurred on Route 129, Route 62, Church Street, Mass Avenue and Lowell Street.

Neighbors disputed on Dunton Road.

An attempt was made to steal a motorcycle parked on Silver Lake Avenue.

Obscene phone calls were placed to a home on Fox Run Drive.

Tuesday, November 14

Traffic accidents occurred on Clinton Street, Main Street and Park Street.

Theresa A. Bonacci, 21, of Woburn, was arrested for operating a vehicle after suspension.

A mailbox was smashed on Wildwood Street.

Malicious damage was done to a vehicle on Carmel Street.

Five horse bridles were stolen from a barn on Chestnut Street.

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Wednesday, November 15

Windows screens at a house on St. Paul Street were destroyed.

A case of aggravated assault and battery on Wild Avenue was reported.

A traffic accident occurred on Route 125.

Thursday, November 16

Shoplifters were apprehended at a Main Street store.

Traffic accidents occurred on Main Street and Lawrence Street.

The lock on a vehicle parked on Fordham Road was vandalized.

Five golf clubs and some money were stolen from a car parked on Fordham Road.

Friday, November 17

Thu Ngien, 20, of Lowell, was arrested for operating to endanger, failing to stop; assault with a deadly weapon; operating without a license; and speeding.

A case of breaking and entering on Mink Run Road was reported.

Saturday, November 18

Traffic accidents occurred on I-93 and Main Street and Lowell Street.

Joseph P. O'Connell, 17, of Wilmington, was arrested for OUI and driving outside the marked lanes.

Willie D. Slaughter, 20, of Tewksbury, was arrested on a warrant.

Nancy Slater, 55, of Wilmington, was arrested for disturbing the peace and the malicious destruction of property.

Credit card fraud was reported from Heather Drive.

Bad checks were received at a

business on Lowell Street.

A credit card and a diamond bracelet were stolen from a pocket-book in a car that was parked on Presidential Drive.

James Orlandino, 39, address unknown, was arrested by Everett police for stealing a vehicle on Lowell Street.

Sunday, November 19

Traffic accident occurred on Main Street and Shawsheen Avenue.

Mailboxes were damaged on Woburn Street.

A driveway was egged at Pouliot Place.

Leif Stott, 20, of Woburn, was arrested on a warrant.

Monday, November 20

Stereo equipment was stole from a vehicle parked on Shawsheen Avenue.

The windshield of a car was smashed on Hanson Road.

A vehicle was egged on Garden Avenue.

Tuesday, November 21

Traffic accidents occurred on Main Street and Fairmeadow Road.

A garage and its contents were ransacked on Adams Street.

Seven vehicles were damaged at a dealership on Main Street.

Wednesday, November 22

Gunshots were heard coming from the forest near Clark Street.

A case of trespassing behind a Main Street business was reported.

Traffic accidents occurred on Shawsheen Avenue and Federal Street.

A rock was thrown through the windshield of a vehicle driving along

High Street.

A youth was assaulted during a fight between two groups at the Shawsheen School.

A house on Main Street was trashed with toilet paper and shaving cream.

Thursday, November 23

Peter Manson, 26, of Wilmington, was arrested for OUI; operating outside the marked lanes; and speeding.

Some benches and a life guard tower at Silver Lake were thrown into the water.

Friday, November 24

A driver drove away from a Main Street service station without first paying for gas.

Traffic accidents occurred on Main Street, Route 125 and Middlesex Avenue.

Saturday, November 25

The side window of a boat parked on Harold Avenue was broken.

The windshield and the hood of a vehicle on Harold Avenue were maliciously damaged.

A traffic accident occurred on Andover Street.

Sunday, November 26

Harassing phone calls were placed to an Andover Street residence.

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Tewksbury music dept. will benefit from Pepsi program

TEWKSBURY - The Tewksbury Music Department and Tewksbury Music Association are participating in the "Pepsi Notes" program beginning in November and running through to January 2001.

"Pepsi Notes" are coupons found on specially marked packaging of Pepsi Cola and Frito-Lay products.

The Tewksbury music students will collect coupons from community members and redeem them in February for new musical instruments and equipment. In addition to musical instruments these coupons can be used to acquire other musical items such as boxes of reeds, music stands and computer programs.

On Saturday, December 9 Tewksbury music students and members of the Tewksbury Music Association will have a collection table at the Tewksbury WalMart

between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. You may drop off your Pepsi Notes at that time. At 10:00 the Tewksbury Concert Band will perform a short concert of seasonal music for the shoppers.

All are encouraged to drop off these "Pepsi Notes" at the high school or mail them to the Music Department at Tewksbury Memorial High School, 320 Pleasant Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876.

The Band, Chorus and Jazzband will perform their 35th annual Children's Winter Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 17 at 2:00 in the high school cafeteria. This is always a very enjoyable and special family event. Santa and many of his friends will be there to enjoy a great performance by Tewksbury musicians and to join in the final sing-a-long.

Gustafson and Sullivan to perform in the Nutcracker

WILMINGTON - Lisa Gustafson and Christie A. Sullivan, both of Wilmington will be appearing in the fourth annual Northeast Youth Ballet (NYB) Company's professionally staged production of The Nutcracker. The NYB will be producing 10 performances of The Nutcracker ballet during a two week engagement at the Chevalier Theater on Forest Street in Medford from December 9 through the 17th.

A total of 134 youngsters from northeastern Massachusetts will be appearing in the production. A Christmas tradition for many families, The Nutcracker is a well known story of holiday magic and the dreams of a young girl.

Northeast Youth Ballet, a non-profit ballet company, is dedicated to providing quality performance opportunities for dancers with varying levels of technical expertise and years of experience. Their purpose is to encourage young dancers to fulfill their dreams and realize their potential by promoting the art of dance.

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You will also be able to pick up an ornament at the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on The Wilmington Town Common on December 2. If you'd like to make a donation to the Community Fund you can send it to: **The Community Fund, Box 147, Wilmington, MA 01887.**

All proceeds from the sale of the ornaments go towards the Community Fund.



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- * Wilmington High School Band

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- * Wilmington Community Fund Tree Ornaments

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Each year, Academic Year in America (AYA) enables more than 1,000 students, ages 15 to 18 1/2 to come to the U.S. from countries such as Brazil, France, Japan and Germany. Many of these students have dreamed of coming to the U.S. since they were young children and saw their first American movie. They dream of playing on a high school sports team and making academic achievements; of becoming a good host "son" or "daughter" and learning your customs. Won't you share your experience of America with one of these special students?

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Please open your heart and home to an AYA international student. Call Danielle Carpino at 800-322-4678, ext. 5164 or email her at dcarpino@aifs.com, or visit AYA on line at www.academicyear.org. AYA is eager to hear from you.

Wilmington Seniors

Week of December 4

Monday: Chicken parmesan rotini, French bread and butter, seasoned peas and carrots, chilled apricots, milk, Jello with topping.

Tuesday: Hot dogs with vegetarian baked beans, bread and butter, chilled pineapple, milk, brownie.

Wednesday: Breaded chicken rice pilaf, seasoned broccoli, wheat dinner rolls, butter, cranberry sauce, milk, dessert.

Thursday: Pork roast dinner, parsnip whole potatoes, California blend vegetables, applesauce, oatmeal bread, milk, dessert.

Friday: Sliced turkey with gravy over mashed potatoes, seasoned carrots, cranberry sauce, wheat bread and butter, milk, ice cream.



CAN TWO DANCE? Katelyn Sughrue (l.) and Kim Gillespie (r.) were collecting cans of food at the Harvest dance. Both girls are seniors and captains of the Wilmington High Field Hockey team. A can equaled a \$2.00 reduction to the dance admission price. The cans were donated to the Wilmington Community Fund Food Pantry. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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WHEN:

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TIME:

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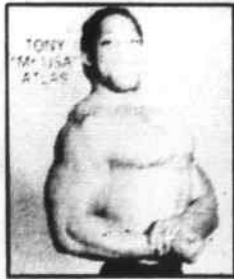
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TIME:

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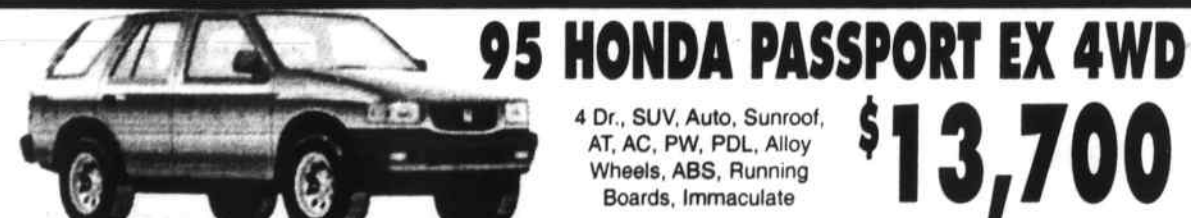
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Thanksgiving game a true battle to the end

'Cats prevail in fourth quarter against Redmen

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It was the classic match-up of two rivals. The classic match-up of power vs. power, size vs speed, as well as great team vs great team.

But in the case of the 66th annual Thanksgiving morning classic, the Wilmington Wildcats showed for a few hours that they were for real, and more powerful than anyone gave them credit for as they celebrated on their home, and slippery Alumni Field with an 21-8 victory over Tewksbury in front of a little more than 3,000 fans.

Wilmington's very quick offensive line controlled the line of scrimmage, while, the backfield had a field day rushing for nearly 300 yards. On the other hand of that Wilmington's defense manhandled Tewksbury's powerful offense at-tack to just 70 total yards, including just 18 rushing yards on 25 carries.

Wilmington outplayed Tewksbury, were much more physical and deserve a lot of credit for the win. Not only was this their third win in just the last 15 meetings, but they shut down Tewksbury's top guns with tremendous defense led by Jim Fennelly, Justin Cammarata, Dave Trueira and Josh Hiltz. Fennelly capped off a tremendous career for Wilmington with a marvelous performance, while, Cammarata thought he might have broken his ankle very early in the game but came back and played tremendous. Trueira played Jay Wagstaff perfectly without a reception for the speedy receiver, and Hiltz picked off two passes in the 'Cats secondary.

"I think we controlled the game," said Wilmington coach Bob Almeida. "We physically outplayed them. They are a very good football team. They are a much better team than anyone in our league including Pentucket even though they are going to the Super Bowl. But our kids were sky high today."

With the game tied at 8-8 with six minutes to go in the game, Wilmington faced a third-and-10 from the Tewksbury 48. Wilmington junior back George Godding took a carry, but bobbled it as he was

initially hit at the line. The ball went up in the air, but with incredible concentration, Godding pulled the ball back into his arms, and held off two tacklers on a stiff arm and a spin move and raced into the end zone with the game winning touchdown with 6:19 left in the game.

Wilmington's Mark Jepson added the third and final score with 0:59 left making it 21-8. As for Tewksbury they just couldn't get on track from the start of the game.

"This was a hard game to lose," said Tewksbury coach Brian Aylward. "This year we've had so many ups and downs. You have to give credit to Coach Almeida, what they did on Wagstaff was smart and it worked. For us, it was had to get our footing. We just couldn't get any momentum going offensively. Two weeks ago we had every bounce go our way against Billerica, and against Wilmington it just wasn't our day."

Tewksbury started the game off with the ball but were forced to punt after a quick three-and-out series. Wilmington took over on their own 37, and marched up the

field on a nice successful drive. On third-and-six from the Redmen 9, quarterback Josh Hiltz threw an over the top pass to tight end Josh Howlett, but the ball was bobbled and picked off in mid air by Steve Kasprzak at the 1, and returned to the 5.

Tewksbury countered with a strong drive of their own lasting three minutes into the second quarter. The Redmen moved the ball to the Wilmington 49, but a screen pass to Mark Boudreau didn't work as he was tackled for a 4-yard loss by Rob Garrett. Tewksbury punted, and Wilmington did the same on their next series. Tewksbury took over on their own 42 only to give it back up as Hiltz piked off one of his two interceptions on the day.

Wilmington put together another nice drive but Hiltz fell short of a first down on a bootleg call on fourth-and-three from the Tewksbury 37 as Wagstaff tackled him for a loss of yards. A minute later the half ended scoreless.

Wilmington started the second

half on a mission, from their own 29 they strung together an 12-play, 71 yard drive which Bobby French (24 carries, 126 yards, surpassed the 1,000 yard mark for the season) took the ball 9 times including the last one which put Wilmington on the scoreboard with an 1-yard run off left tackle. Wilmington faked the extra point kick and Mike Herra, the holder for Mark Jepson, took the ball under his arm and raced into the left end zone for the 8-0 lead.

Tewksbury went three-and-out, but would quickly get the ball back as Almeida called for another over

the top pass, but it was picked off by Nickerson.

"It was stupid of me to do that," admitted Almeida. "I thought we could take advantage of something that was there and a hit a homerun with that play. But all it did was let Tewksbury back in the game."

And it did. Three plays later quarterback Mike Rocco hit Jack Byrne (3 receptions, 54 yards) with an 28-yard touchdown strike over the middle. The duo hooked up again for the two-point conversion and the game was tied at 8-8 setting up Godding's heroics.

"I'm really proud of the kids," said Almeida. "For them to go out like this - no other team in program history has won ten games before. I'm really happy for the kids. They deserve it. They left their mark and it's a great feeling."

Almeida wasn't given much credit before the game as every newspaper predicted his team to lose, but Wilmington did the job against the MVC guys.

"Tewksbury has such great speed on defense, they really come after you," he said. "It's very hard to throw the ball against them because of their pressure and the things they do. We felt the best way to beat them was to go straight at them. It might look boring, it doesn't look pretty or fancy but that's the way you do it."



BY GEORGE WE DID IT! Wilmington High junior George Godding scored the game winning touchdown on this pay night here, as he is about to set foot into the end zone in the team's 21-8 win on Thanksgiving morning. (Photo by Jessica Sytles).

Godding fits in at perfect time

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Coming into this football season, George Godding wasn't sure where he fit into the Wildcats offense. He knew he was the third back to choose from behind seniors Bobby French and Mark Jepson, but he wasn't sure how many carries he would get.

Throughout the season, both French and Jepson got hurt giving Godding a chance to show what he could do. And he took advantage of that with several outstanding games. Last Thursday, in the 66th annual Thanksgiving game against rival Tewksbury, Godding put together his best game, and one run became the difference of a win for Wilmington and a loss for Tewksbury.

With the game tied at 8-8 with six minutes to go, Wilmington had the ball on the Tewksbury 48 on third-and-10. Godding took a hand-off from quarterback Josh Hiltz and burst up the middle. When he got first got hit at the line of scrim-

mage, he bobbled the ball as it went straight up in the air. With incredible concentration, Godding curled the loose ball from over his shoulder with his left arm, brought it back to his hands, spun around one defender, stiffed arm another, and then beat a very fast Jay Wagstaff into the end zone for an 48-yard game winning touchdown run in the 21-8 victory at Alumni Field.

After the game, Godding was very emotional - and who could blame him?

"I can't believe it," he said, with tears running down his eyes as he continued to hug teammates, friends and family members with joy. "This is better than the Super Bowl - absolutely better. I don't care about Pentucket; I don't care about our loss to them and I don't care about how they do today. This is what it's all about."

What games, rivalries and traditions are about is what Godding did. In crunch time he came through with an amazing touchdown run,

against a very good team, not to mention bobbling the ball, getting it back, breaking two tackles and outrun probably the fastest guy East of the Mississippi.

"At the beginning of the play I bobbled the ball," said Godding. "And once I got it back I just said to myself that there was no way I wasn't going to score."

Godding's run could easily be compared to that of the famous run in 1996. Trailing in the fourth quarter, Tewksbury's Matt Petros reeled off a run up the middle on a gorgeous carry which proved to be the game winning touchdown. Godding also had a gorgeous run up the middle which was the game winning touchdown.

"George is an explosive player," said head coach Bob Almeida. "And you saw what he could do today against a very good team. He is so fast and he proved that as he ran away from Tewksbury's secondary. That was an awesome touchdown run."



ABOVE, WILMINGTON HIGH SENIOR MARK JEPSON carries the ball upfield, while, below seniors Josh Howlett (left) and David Trueira (right) celebrate after a touchdown in the Wildcats 21-8 win. (Photos by Jessica Sytles).



French goes over the top in biggest and last game

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

Bob French had waited all season for a big game and a big time opponent who he could show his stuff to. Well, last Thursday morning, he did that and a lot more.

French not only led the 'Cats to its second straight Thanksgiving win at home, but to their first big-time win over the rival in a long time. French, just a few games back from his separated shoulder he suffered in the third game of the season, carried the ball 24 times for 126 yards, scoring a touchdown while he also went over the 1,000 yard plateau for the season (1,021) in just eight football games.

And now Bob French leaves the Wilmington High football program on top: he was part of the a win on his last game ever, against a very good team not to mention the school's biggest rival, and he rushed for 126 yards, scored the first touchdown and surpassed a milestone that not too many running backs accomplish.

"Our line did everything," he said. "I really have to thank them. We just hit them harder and we wanted this game more. They were bigger, but we proved that we were more powerful."

Even more fascinating than what he accomplished is how French accomplished it - with sneakers. With the field being painted over a

few days before the game, the field was very slippery due to the cold temperatures. Wilmington players elected to go with sneakers instead of cleats. And for French it didn't take him long to adjust to the field conditions.

"We came out here in cleats and knew that there was no way we could play, so we went back in and changed to sneakers," he said. "Everything we had planned out (for Tewksbury) worked. This is pretty awesome."

Besides running in sneakers, besides coming off a separated shoulder and besides facing a very good run defense, French took it too Tewksbury behind very good and gracious moves and behind a line of scrimmage that dominated from the get go. In Wilmington's first drive, French carried the ball just twice in the ten play drive, but he managed nine yards on his two carries, the first two of the drive. On the third, he went in motion, and delivered a devastating block so teammate Mark Jepson could pick up the first down on an 11-yard run.

French didn't touch the ball the rest of that drive, nor did he touch the ball in the team's next offensive series. In the third series, he had just two rushes for five yards in the team's nine play drive, and then he didn't touch the ball in the last series of the half.

With just 14 yards on 4 carries in

a scoreless first half, French absolutely dominated in the second half. On the first series of the half, Wilmington started at its own 29. French took the first two carries for 9 and 8 yards, respectively, before taking a break for one carry and adding five more yards on the next. Now on the 7 play drive, but was stopped short on a fourth and inches situation at the Tewksbury 17. After Tewksbury scored to tie the game, Wilmington went ahead thanks to George Godding's 48-yard touchdown run. Wilmington took over on downs on Tewksbury's next possession, setting up the team's final score with 0:59 left in the game. Mark Jepson scored from the 9 yard line, as French set him up with four carries for 22 yards in that drive.

"Bobby had a big game for us, just like he has every game he's played for us," said head coach Bob Almeida. "I'm really happy that he had a big game and that he went over the 1,000 yards. That's something he should be very proud of."

Who's the Turkey on this one?

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

OK, OK, OK. I was wrong with my prediction. I can live with it, so I was wrong. It's not like I went on national television and told the entire country that our next President of the United States was George W. Bush only to take it back six times. Hey it was just a prediction, that was wrong. And boy was I ever wrong.

Actually I wasn't so wrong, I did say that Wilmington would score 20 points and they scored 21, so that wasn't too shabby. But I did say that Tewksbury would score 27 - they didn't even have 27 rushing yards the entire game.

Wilmington won fair and square. They beat Tewksbury in every department: offense, defense, on the line, being more physical and to be honest I really think Wilmington was much more prepared in this game for Tewksbury than Tewksbury was for Wilmington. Wilmington totally shut down Tewksbury like no other team has this season. Seventy total yards is something... and only 18 rushing yards on 25 carries. Wow!

I'm not making excuses or anything like that, but looking back before the game I really believe that you had to pick Tewksbury to win. They played a much stronger schedule, which was two divisions higher, they had a very good run defense, and a very balanced offensive attack. They had won all but two meetings of the Thanksgiving Day game dating back to 1985. In fact, Rick Harrison of the Lowell Sun, and both Danny Ventura (the

Peter Gammons of High School sports) and Jim Clark of the Boston Herald also predicted Tewksbury to win. That just shows you how much these expert reporters know.

Before the game was played I went to the Rotary Breakfast at the Wilmington High School cafeteria and one gentlemen who I've known for a long time complimented on last week's issue and said that he really likes how I'm impartial to both teams, and how difficult it must be. I try to be as impartial as I can but believe me it's very difficult to do that. I try to be as fair as I can, while I also try to bring as much honesty as I can to the articles without hurting anyone since after all this is high school sports.

Last week I said that both coaches still haven't won the big game. Well for Bob Almeida and his coaching staff that line is no longer true. This was certainly a big game for them. There's always hundreds of Wilmington coaches out there, but there's just one who really prepared his team for Tewksbury - you have to give a lot of credit to his staff as they held the top two weapons of Tewksbury to just 11 total yards, including no catches to superstar Jay Wagstaff. And you have to give a lot of credit to the players who defeated a very good team.

Now for Tewksbury, I know and I believe they all feel that yes Wilmington beat them fair and square, but Tewksbury could have played a much better game. The turnovers once again hurt them, the dropped balls once again hurt them, and they didn't execute when they needed to. I wouldn't be doing my job if I didn't second guess a few calls, but I don't think Tewksbury used their weapons enough.

Although the coverage on Wagstaff was outstanding, I think Tewksbury could have tried to go to him a few more times - maybe a slant over the middle, maybe a shuffle pass here or there, or have him go in motion and a quick dump off pass over the middle. Tewksbury wasn't going anywhere on the run all game long so I just feel that with the likes of Wagstaff, Jack Byrne, Mark Boudreau, Ryan Carlson and Anthony Clarke out there, I would've sent all four out and try to find the one open receiver.

Obviously the Tewksbury coaching staff knows a lot more than I do, if I knew more I would be wearing the Redmen colors on the sidelines. Obviously they have their reasons for what they did. I'm not faulting them for the loss at all. The players play the game, and Tewksbury didn't have their best performance. Tewksbury has a very good coaching staff and one that I admire and respect a great deal. But for this game, I think from top to bottom, the coaching staff to the players, that everyone could have done a much better job.

But besides the second guesses, besides who won or who lost, you must admit that this one exciting game. With three minutes left in the first quarter, there was still a

line of a hundred people deep trying to come into the game. With six minutes left, the game was tied 8-8. Pretty exciting stuff.

Now that this season is officially over, there's hundreds of different

opinions out there on the seasons that Wilmington and Tewksbury had. Before the season started both teams were hyped up for Super Bowl contention - both teams won't be going to Boston University this weekend. For Tewksbury it was another good season. Since 1995, they've had five winning seasons in the last six years. That's something to be stand tall about, from the coaching staff all the way down to the players. Not to many teams in the MVC can say they have accomplished that.

For Wilmington, a lot of complaints I heard over the last few days of their season was why Bobby French was in the game against Amesbury with Wilmington ahead by four touchdowns in the fourth quarter when the senior running back separated his shoulder? Was that the reason why Wilmington won't be going to BU this weekend because French didn't play against Pentucket? Maybe, maybe not.

Pentucket has had Wilmington's number for the last three years. In 1998 they overcame an 14-0 deficit to beat the 'Cats 21-14. In 1999, they stopped Eric Banda on what would have been the game winning conversion run at the goal line. A month later in the Super Bowl, they were down 6-0 in the fourth quarter, only to come back and beat Dighton-Rehoboth, 20-6.

You can say what you want that Wilmington is a better team on paper than Pentucket and yes they certainly are. But when it comes down to it, the Pentucket players somehow step up everytime they need to, and that's not a knock on the Wilmington players or the coaching staff. It's a fact. Pentucket might not have any superstars, they might not be exciting, but they win, no matter where, no matter how. They just win.

And I'll make another stupid prediction that they will beat Bishop Fenwick on Saturday to capture their second straight Super Bowl... hmmm another stupid prediction... here I go again me and my stupid thoughts. Hey, it's not like I'm saying that Carl Everett isn't the monster everyone makes him out to be... boy was I wrong on that one.



ABOVE WILMINGTON'S GEORGE GODDING is about to get tackled by Tewksbury's Tom Costello and Steve Kasprzak, while, below Wilmington quarterback Josh Hiltz moves upfield during the 'Cats win. (Photos by Jessica Stygles).



ABOVE WILMINGTON'S JIM FENNELLY PUTS A TACKLE ON TEWKSBURY'S ERIK NICKERSON, while below Wilmington's Bobby French is getting mauled down by Tewksbury's Jack Byrne. (Photos by Jessica Stygles).



TEWKSBURY QUARTERBACK MIKE ROCCO tries to escape pressure from Wilmington's defense during Thursday's game. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

Wilmington 21, Tewksbury 8 at Alumni Stadium

Tewksbury (6-4) 0 0 8 0 - 08
Wilmington (10-1) 0 0 8 13 - 21

Scoring:

W - Bob French 1 run (Mike Herra rush)
T - Jack Byrne 28 pass from Mike Rocco (Byrne pass from Rocco)
W - George Godding 48 run (Mark Jepson kick)
W - Jepson 9 run (kick failed)

Team Stats

	T	W
First Downs	4	17
Penalties-yards	4-30	3-20
Fumbles-lost	2-1	5-2
Rushes/ Yards	25-18	45-262
Passing Yards	52	13
Total Yards	70	275

Individual Stats:

Passing: W, Josh Hiltz 1-for-6, 13 yards, 0 TDs, 1 INT; T, Mike Rocco 6-for-18, 52 yards, TD, 2 INTs.
Rushing Yards: W, Bob French 24-126, TD; George Godding 7-79, TD; Mark Jepson 10-56, TD; Dave Trueira 1-2; Josh Hiltz 4-1; T, Erik Nickerson 10-11; Ryan Carlson 6-9; Jay Wagstaff 3-4; Billy Meuse 1-3; Steve Bagley 1-2; Mark Boudreau 1 - (-3); Mike Rocco 3 - (-8).
Receiving Yards: W, Dave Trueira 1-13; T, Jack Byrne 3-54, TD; Ryan Carlson 2-2; Mark Boudreau 1 - (-4).

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WILMINGTON'S JUSTIN CAMMARATA AND TEWKSBURY'S ERIK NICKERSON fight over a loose ball during the Holiday game. (Photo by Jessica Stygles).

Wilmington's Stats

Final season stats:

Passing: Josh Hiltz 39-for-72, (54%) 588 yds, 7 TDs, 3 INTs.
Rushing: Bobby French 119-1,021 yds, 17 TDs; Mark Jepsen 75-673, 8 TDs; George Godding 61-406, 5 TDs; Josh Hiltz 43-215, 7 TDs; Dave Trueira 22-170, 3 TDs; Derek Hanley 18-133, TD; Al Quinton 3-61; Mike Herra 13-42, 3 TD; Chris Minghella 7-41; John DiPasquale 5-19; Dave Aronofsky 3-19; Jim Fennelly 4-4, TD; Andrew Petrillo 1-3; Chris Denlen 2-3; Ryan Gaudet 1-2.
Receiving: Dave Trueira 21-358, TD; Josh Howlett 8-153, 3 TDs; Bobby French 6-69, TD; Andy Hackett 2-9; Mark Jepsen 2 - (-1).
Points: Bobby French 17 TDs, 102 pts; Mark Jepsen 8 TDs, 15 PAT kicks, 63 pts; Josh Hiltz 7 TDs, 1 conv. rush 2 pts, 44 pts; George Godding 6 TDs, 36 pts; Dave Trueira, 4 TDs, 24 pts; Josh Howlett 4 TDs, 24 pts; Mike Herra, 3 TDs, 1 conv. rush 20 pts; Dereck Downs, 15 PAT kicks, 15 pts; Andrew Campbell 1 TD, 1 two-pt conv., 8 pts; Chris McHale 1 conv. kick, 1 point.

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Tewksbury's Stats

Final stats:

Passing: Ryan Davoren 51-for-83, 610 yds, TD, 3 INT; Mike Rocco 22-for-45, 281 yds, 8 TDs, 3 INTs; Jay Wagstaff 1-for-1, 4 yds, 1 TD, 0 INTs; Arnie Martel 1-for-2, minus 8 yards; 0 TDs, 0 INT; Bob Ulio 0-for-1.
Rushing: Erik Nickerson 138-735, 14 TDs; Ryan Carlson 46-266, 7 TDs; John Drinkwater 35-143, TD; Billy Meuse 14-108, 2 TD; Jay Wagstaff 16-105; Steve Bagley 19-92, 2 TDs; Bob Ulio 19-62; Mark Boudreau 16-54; Mike Bordonaro 5-18; Kyle Hamilton 4-14; Steve Kasprzyk 1-2; Arnie Martel 1 - (-2); Brian Sutherland 1 - (-2); Pat Gorman 1 - (-2); Tom Costello 1 - (-2); Mike Rocco 10 - (-12); Ryan Davoren 16 - (-19), TD.
Receiving: Jay Wagstaff 28-441, 6 TDs; Jack Byrne 14-167, 3 TDs; Anthony Clarke 6-92, TD; Mark Boudreau 10-64; Ryan Carlson 9-66, TD; John Drinkwater 5-20; Erik Nickerson 1-17; Billy Meuse 1-8; Steve Bagley 1 - (-8).
Points: Erik Nickerson 14 TDs, 84 pts; Ryan Carlson 8 TDs, 1 conv, 50 pts; Jay Wagstaff 7 TD, 1 conv., 44 pts; Jack Byrne 4 TDs, 2 conv. 28 pts; Mark Boudreau 20 PAT kicks, 20 pts; Billy Meuse 2 TDs, 12 pts.; John Drinkwater 1 TD, 6 pts; Anthony Clarke TD, 6 pts; Ryan Davoren 1 TD, 6 pts; Paul Saunders 1 TD, 6 pts; Bob Ulio 1 conv. kick, 1 point.

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Pop Warner D Team takes NE Championship

The Wilmington Pop Warner D-Team poured their heart and soul into a tough battle to bring home the New England Championship this past Friday, beating Barrington RI, 14 to 12.

RI got the ball first. Wonderful defensive play from Andrew Valente, Brad Jackson and Kevin Carter kept RI from making much ground. Great tackles from Anthony Nihan and Frankie Sorrentino helped get the ball into the Cats hands. Excellent blocking from Anthony Morlani gave Ernie Mello room to make some great runs, and eventually he was able to push it into the end zone for the Cats first score. More great blocking from Dave Reed helped Ernie Mello run the ball in for the extra point.

Barrington got the ball and was able to break out and get a score themselves, but great defense from Stevie Sughrue and Jimmy Celeste stopped the extra point attempt. The Cats took control and pushed down the field with some great blocking from Dean Moran and Lenny Colometo. Zack Fahey and

Ernie Mello ran for some key first downs. More great blocking from Anthony Morlani helped give some room for about a 30-yard run by Ernie Mello into the end zone once again, for the Cats second score. Zack Fahey found a hole thanks to teammates Chris Murphy and Andrew Valente and scooted in for the extra point.

RI got the ball, but more awesome defensive play from Matt Companschi, Daved Melkonian,

Ryan McCarthy and Dom McCann stopped RI cold. Justin Cerra handed off to George D'Amelio and Ryan Savini who got in some great runs thanks to blocking help from Marc Grassia, Kyle Lunt, Dillon Halliday and Lenny Colometo.

RI got the ball back, but great tackles from Stevie Sughrue, Kyle Lunt and Andrew Valente helped turn the ball back to the Cats. Nick Clark hit Scott Sutherland with a great 29-yard pass for a key first down, but the half ended before the Cats could capitalize.

After the half, Wilmington offense came back strong pushing the ball down the field. More excellent defense from Kevin Carter, Stevie Baker and Dan McCarthy kept RI from gaining during their possession. After the 2-minute warning, Anthony Morlani had a terrific run for a key first down. Zack Fahey threw a great 30-yard pass to Ernie Mello for another key first down, but R tough defense stopped the Cats again from capitalizing.

Constant pressure on RI's QB by Andrew Valente kept him from completing his passes, and the Cats got the ball for one last time, and were able to keep possession for the remainder of the game.

The D-Team and its coaches would like to send out its thanks for all the support it has received throughout this wonderful season from family, friends and their dedicated D-Team cheerleaders.

Mite C's split latest games

The Tewksbury Mite C Redmen hockey team, sponsored by J. J. Phelan and Sons, General Contractors split a pair of games over the weekend, shutting out a pesky Burlington team on Saturday 4-0 and losing to a tough Pentucket B team on Sunday 6-4.

Brendan Kieran and Kevin Poulin got things rolling about a minute and a half into the game on Saturday as Brendan intercepted a Burlington pass in the Redmen zone and fired a pass to center ice to Kevin. The speedy Kevin beat two Burlington defenders and fired one past the Burlington goalie for a 1-0 lead, assist to Brendan.

Furious back and forth action highlighted the rest of the period with the lines of Sean MacLeod, Erik Kelly and Sean Taylor and Michael Daley, Kevin Poulin and Patrick Quinn doing some great forechecking and keeping the attack on the Burlington goal.

With about 30 seconds left in the period, Kelly found an opening and slid one past the Burlington goalie to make it 2-0 Redmen. Sean Taylor and Sean MacLeod each picked up an assist on the play. In the second period, the line of Anthony Arcari, Chris Irwin and Nicky Barbera tuned in an unbelievable display of forechecking and created a lot of pressure on the Burlington end. About two minutes into the period, Chris scored on a play where Stevie Gray kept the puck in the zone, passed to Arcari who found the open Irwin in front of the net, 3-0 Redmen.

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Kieran made a spectacular defensive play with about two minutes left in the period as he chased down a Burlington forward on a breakaway, dove and swept the puck off his stick to break up the shot at the last second. In the third period, Barbera and Arcari hooked up again as that line acted like bees buzzing around the Burlington net. Arcari took one from a Burlington forward's stick, fired on net and Nicky picked up the rebound for the fourth and final Tewksbury goal. Dooley tuned in a highlight film kick save to secure the shutout late in the game.

On Sunday, the Redmen faced a tough Pentucket B opponent. Erik Kelly got the Redmen off to a quick 1-0 lead with an unassisted goal 2 minutes into the game. Pentucket made it difficult from there, scoring two unanswered goals before Sean MacLeod found the net with a wrist shot to tie the score just before the period ended. Colin Walsh made a nice play to keep the puck in the Pentucket zone and shuffled it over to Sean Taylor who pushed it ahead to MacLeod.

Great passing from Taylor and Walsh who picked up assists!! However, Pentucket answered quickly and went ahead to stay just before the buzzer. The second period was full of great backchecking and defensive play from both teams resulting in only one goal being

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Chris Irwin got the first when Stevie Gray kept the puck in the zone, fed a nice pass to Anthony Arcari who fed it along to Irwin who fired it past the Pentucket goalie. Two minutes later, Arcari picked up another assist as he pushed the puck along the boards out to Brendan Kieran who fired one from the point that seemed to sneak past the Pentucket goalie only to lay on the goal line.

Nicky Barbera pounced on the puck and pushed it in for the goal, assists to Anthony and Brendan. With about seven minutes left, Pentucket answered and scored the final goal of the game to make it 6-4. Joshua White, Stevie Gray, Ricky Sheehan and Jimmy Malcolm tuned up the defensive pressure and kept Pentucket off the board but the Redmen ran out of time in this one. Good game, great effort!!

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Pop Warner A Cheerleaders take another title

Wilmington Pop Warner outdid themselves this past weekend. Two teams, the D-Football team + cheerleaders and the A-Cheerleading team headed to Rhode Island for the New England Regional Championship football game and cheerleading competition. Congratulations D-Football Team, they are the New England Regional Champions, a first in Wilmington Pop Warner history.

Well, the A-Team cheerleaders were determined to continue with the standard set from the D-Team. They did. They are the New England Regional Champions in the Midget Cheer Division. This team consists of Christina Buldini, Jen Fahey, Danielle Hodgson, Kellianne Sweeney, Lauren Dolan, Amanda Graziano, Cacey Savini, Krystle Valente, Tricia Fennelly, Maria Sorrentino, Valerie Zarella, Dawn DeRosa, Cherise Gibbons, Ashley Rollins, Kristina Murphy, Bridget Meuse, Erica Layton, Jamie O'Connell, Ashley Dell'Anno, Molly Sullivan, Sheila Cassidy, Michelle Forester, Ashley Greco, Jacqueline LaLiberte, Angela Jackson, Danielle O'Shea, Michelle Luongo, and Brittany Marcou. They are coached by Deb Smith, Linda Forester, Lori Hodgson and Sally Sorrentino.

The A-Team cheerleaders headed to Rhode Island on Saturday to prepare for their competition on Sunday. They enjoyed each other's company and focused on the upcoming event. They were the fifth A-team to perform and then sat to watch and witness approximately 40 other teams perform from the New England Region.

It was a nail-biting wait, but in the end they did prevail. They are the 2000 New England Regional

Champions. This is a back-to-back win for Wilmington Pop Warner's A-team cheerleaders and we are very proud. All of our teams have impressed us, not only with performances, but their good sportsmanship, spirit and their overall behavior. This team did not fall from that expectation, they fulfilled it

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A huge personal thank you goes out to Deb Smith, Head Coach, words cannot express the effort you put forth. Assistant Coaches Linda Forester, Lori Hodgson, and Sally Sorrentino, your "little" tasks have never gone unnoticed or unappreciated, what would I do without all of you. You have all, once again gone above and beyond. Thank you, thank you!!

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Rams', Greater Lowell game ends dramatically as time expires

By DAVID FLYNN
Sports Correspondent

Shawsheen Tech looked to have the Collins Cup, the Commonwealth Athletic Conference Championship and a Super Bowl berth locked up with less than 39 remaining against Greater Lowell on Thanksgiving Day.

The Gryphons were not ready to concede the game however and shocked the Rams by marching 72 yards and kicking a game winning 20-yard field goal with 0:00 left on the clock by a sophomore on his first attempt of the season as Greater Lowell came from behind to defeat the Rams, 28-27, in what could easily be called the greatest high school football game of the season, not to mention the best Thanksgiving game in the state.

"I talked to [Shawsheen Coach Al] Costabile immediately after the game and I said, 'Life is not fair because you deserved to win,'" said Gryphons head coach Dennis Murphy. "My kids came through when they needed to."

The Rams did not trail in the game until the fourth quarter when the lead changed hands three times in a span of 2:46. In the final minutes of the game anything that

could happen, did.

Greater Lowell took a six point lead, 27-21 with 2:46 remaining in the game on Miguel Rivera's (234 yards, 34 carries, 4 TDs.) fourth touchdown run. Rivera dashed 26 yards up the middle for the score and quarterback Jose Morales connected with Joe Telier for the two-point conversion.

The Gryphons looked to be in control after stopping the Rams on four straight plays and regaining possession of the ball with 1:39 left in the game. The Gryphons had a

first and 10 on the Rams' 48 and only had to run the clock out to ensure victory. And with Rivera leading the charge, the Gryphons looked to be in good hands.

However, on third and 7 from the Rams' 45, Shawsheen defensive back Mike Stubbs stole the ball away from Rivera on the 25. Stubbs then turned and sprinted up the field before being stopped at the Gryphons 40.

Senior Derek McLaren took over from there. On second and 10, McLaren connected with his favorite target, Jim Dickinson for a 13 yard completion. The Rams picked up another 15 yards after a

personal foul penalty and had a first down on the Gryphons' 12 with :45 on the clock.

McLaren wasted no time with the ball on the 12 and connected with James Fallica in the corner of the endzone. McLaren's throw cleared a Gryphons' defenders' hands by inches and landed perfectly in the hands of Fallica.

Charlie Ward kicked the PAT and Shawsheen regained the lead, 28-27.

"They were ready to put the nails in the coffin," said Costabile. "And all of a sudden we have a second chance. I couldn't be prouder of the Shawsheen Football team for taking advantage of that second opportunity."

McLaren said, "I knew we had a chance. We have been practicing the two-minute offense all week."

The Gryphons fumbled the kick-off but recovered the ball on its own 25 yard line. With :35 left on the clock Shawsheen had only to avoid letting up the big play to be certain of victory.

Gryphons sophomore Jay Blake, a backup wide receiver and place kicker who was a non-factor in the

game up to that point, single handedly took the game away from the Rams.

On first and 10 from its own 25 yard line, Blake entered the game as a wideout. He was filling in for the first string receiver who was injured.

The Gryphons needed to pick up a lot of yardage and took to the air on first down. Morales threw a bomb down the sideline towards Blake who had beaten Shawsheen's coverage. Blake leaped into the air and came down with the ball on the Rams' 31.

"I bobbled the ball in mid-air," said Blake of his 44-yard reception. "When I fell, I gripped it and I was like, 'Yes!' I breathed a sigh of relief."

The Rams' defense was not able to recover from Blake's big play. Gryphons quarterback Morales picked up 25 yards on the next two plays on QB scrambles and both times stopped the clock by getting out of bounds.

On Morales' second run the Rams were flagged for a personal foul and the ball was placed on the three yard line with one second remaining in the game.

The Rams needed to find a way to make one more big play but they could not. Blake entered the game to attempt a 20-yard game winning field goal and he put it through the uprights to put Greater Lowell on top for good, 28-27.

"For it to come down to the last second like that doesn't surprise me," said Costabile. "It hurts. I said to the players if it

didn't hurt something would be wrong. It meant a lot to us. We were right on the door step but we just came up a little short."

"When two teams come together like this and play such a hard

fought football game it is almost a shame someone has to go home a loser. But in my eyes there isn't a player that played on this field today that will go home a loser."

Murphy said, "It is just incredible that they could drive the field with 35 seconds to go. Jose [Morales] got us down there and for a sophomore to kick that is incredible. That kid is a sophomore/JV player. That was his first field goal and it will be his best, I think."

Shawsheen's offense led by Stubbs (195 yards, 2 TDs) got things going in the first quarter. Greater Lowell gave the Rams good field position after a poor punt that resulted in a Rams first down on the Gryphons' 24.

Stubbs rushed for 20 yards on two carries before Marc Bourden plowed his way into the endzone from four yards out. Ward kicked the PAT and the Rams had a 7-0 lead with :50 remaining in the first.

Greater Lowell would shrink the lead to one, 7-6, with 3:51 left to play in the second. Rivera, who had been working overtime for the Gryphons, broke for a 48 yard run up the gut and into the end zone.

Greater Lowell attempted the two-point pass but failed to execute the play.

The Rams could very easily have trailed at the half but the defense came up big in the final seconds.

Greater Lowell had first and goal on the Rams' 2 yard line. Everyone knew Rivera was going to get the call to try and run the ball in for the touchdown.

Rivera did get the handoff and tried to leap over the pile of Rams and Gryphons. However, Shawsheen's defensive line and linebackers stuffed Rivera at the goal line and the Rams had secured the lead at the half.

Shawsheen's offense failed to move the ball on its first possession of the second half. They made up for failure to move the ball on its next possession.

Stubbs scored on a 19 yard run to complete a 56 yard, 8 play drive. Ward added the PAT and the Rams increased its lead to 14-6 with 4:31 left to play in the fourth.

The Gryphons came right back at the Rams' defense and put together a scoring drive of its own. Rivera was the main contributor once again and scored on a 44 yard run down the sideline. The Rams were able to stop the two point conversion and the Rams led 14-12. Stubbs would score his second

touchdown 1:14 left in the third after Rivera fumbled the ball on the Gryphons' 7 yard line. The Rams recovered the football and on first down Stubbs rushed it in. Ward kicked the PAT and the Rams had a comfortable lead, 21-12.

The Rams were unable to hold the Gryphons offense on its next offensive possession. Greater Lowell marched 61 yards on 9 plays to bring the game within three.

On second down and three, Rivera got the call and rushed 15 yards for the touchdown with 8:51 left in the fourth. The blocking in front of Rivera was so good that he literally walked in to the endzone

from six yards out.

Blake connected on the PAT and the Rams' lead was cut to two, 21-19 setting up an unforgettable finish in the final two and a half minutes of play.

"I turned to my coaches mid way through the fourth quarter and I said, 'You know, I have had

the pleasure of coaching in a lot of big games, Super Bowls included,"

said Costabile, adding, "But this is by far, I thought by far the best game I ever had the pleasure to coach. This was a special event today."

Bantam C's tie Tewksbury, 4-4

Wilmington 4, Tewksbury 4

The Wilmington Bantam C's worked hard and stayed cool to take this tie. They've picked up the pace and are coming together, with the talents of both goaltenders Mike Thibault and Tim Anderson, their quickness to stop so many speeding pucks heading for the net as they did this game.

First period set off the C's scoring. Derick Duarte received an assist as his shot on net rebounded off the goaltender. Jason Blackburn came right in after Derick to pick up the rebound and score. Donny Heenan was hot on the backchecking when Tewksbury came in with a breakaway knocking them out of play. At 7:50 Jay Surianello received an assist when his pass to Rob Riccio was completed. Riccio also received an assist as he attempted a shot that rebounded out. Chris Hope was close by to tip it in and score.

Tewksbury picked up their plays and kept the puck in the C's zone long enough to score two.

Second period Tommy Blaisdell came out skating hard and took some shots on net only to have the goaltender deny him of scoring. Steve Emery also skated hard not

letting Tewksbury pin him to the boards as he skated right through them taking the puck with him.

Tom Lee checked his opponents out of play along with passing the puck to his teammates. The C's tried very hard but Tewksbury managed to put two more in before the period ended giving them the lead. Now the heat was on.

Third period Tewksbury fought for more and the C's battled to tie the game. 11:52 on the clock and Derick Duarte scored an unassisted goal as he tipped in a loose puck. They still had one to go to tie it up. Bryant Buck, fought hard for the puck at center ice, in the corners he managed to get a shot off that was denied. Steffan Tosi trailed his opponents and checked them out, skating the puck to Tewksbury zone.

The final goal of the game tied it up. The assist went to Russell Grant who kept the puck in the Tewksbury zone passing it to Bobby Ryan who also received an assist when his shot was deflected. Misha Glazomigskiy gave it a nice wrist shot that sent it in for the score.

The C's did not give up, they continued to fight and not let Tewksbury go any further. Good job C's

Pee Wee E's take on tough Reading team

The Wilmington Wildcat Pee Wee E youth hockey team had a tough game last week against a tough, undefeated, first place Reading team.

The Wildcats were up for the challenge. They came out strong in the first, putting several shots on net without any luck until 10:53 left to play. Chris Ployer took advantage of a nice lead pass from Mike Pickett to put Wilmington up by one. Reading was not going to let that goal go unmatched and tied the game up as the first period expired.

The second period was all Reading, they netted two more goals to Wilmington's one. Wilmington's only goal of the period came when Chris Ployer again beat the Reading goalie when he controlled a bullet pass from Shawn Crowley and slid it under the goalie's pad. The second period ended with Reading up by one.

In the third period Wilmington came alive. The Wilmington defense of Lauren Hennon, Catlin Lynch and Eric DiDominico completely neutralized Reading's po-

tent offense and with the help some great goaltending by Cassie Secher, shutout Reading in the third. Wilmington's offense, however came to life. Facing a one point deficit Wilmington's offense came out skating hard. Their hustle paid off with 10:31 left to play, Jeff Swift took a no look pass from Daniel Spurr in front of the net and Jeff beat the goalie to tie the game.

The Wildcats would not settle for a tie. With some great hustle from Ryan Loring, Jared Waite and Pat Schultz the Wildcats kept the pressure on Reading the entire period. With time running out Jeff Swift and Daniel Spurr hooked up again, this time with Jeff feeding Daniel in front of the net and Daniel putting a slapshot by the Reading goalie for the win.

It was an overall great game for the Wildcats who showed some great teamwork, hustle and determination which resulted in a big win. Congratulations. A special thanks to coaches Tom Crowley, Bill Loring and Kevin Pickett. Your time and help is appreciated by all.

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Squirt B's put nine past Winchester

After what seemed to be a month long layoff, the Wilmington Squirt B team took on the undefeated in the Dual State Winchester Sachems soundly beating them 9-3.

The Cats got on the board early as the Cats' Justin Dirienzo appeared to score only to be waved off, but Mike Jensen alertly picked up the puck and jammed it home for the 1-0 lead. Shortly after the first tally Justin set up Mike Derosa for his first of four goals of the day giving the Cats a 2-0 lead after the first period.

The Cats called upon Kevin Fitzpatrick to fill in for Mike Cabral in this contest and Kevin managed quite well as he stopped several tough shots from the Sachems. The Cats' Casey Pickett scored on a feed from Mike Derosa giving the Cats a three goal cushion and Mike Derosa popped his second tally with help from Steve Wamboldt and Kevin Creedon.

Winchester answered that goal with one of their own but Nick

Riccio gave the Cats a 5-1 advantage as he banged for a loose puck with Casey in front of the net tucking under the goalie for his first of three goals on the day. Nick took a feed from Casey and drilled the puck just under the crossbar and just inside the post for the prettiest goal and his second of the game.

Winchester scored late in the period closing the gap to 6-2. The defensive corp, for the Cats were tough as they stood up the Sachems in the Cats zone. Leading the Cats was Evan Brennan, Steve Dunnett, Cam Fitzpatrick, Mike Jensen and John Kincaid. Nick Riccio notched his hat trick midway through the third period with helpers to Casey Pickett and Steven Wamboldt.

Winchester put in their third goal, making it 7-3 before Mike Derosa tallied his hat trick unassisted and his fourth goal on a pretty feed from Casey Pickett as time expired. Hard skating and great passing were keys to the 9-3 victory for the Cats.

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SEAN CALLAHAN, BRENDAN MURPHY, JEFF O'CONNELL, AND PAUL BRUCE with the Gold Medal they received in the CAN/AM Hockey Tournament at Lake Placid, New York. (Courtesy Photo).

Four hockey players honored in N.Y.

During the weekend of November 2-5, several members of the Wilmington Mite A Hockey Team traveled to Lake Placid, N.Y. for the CAN/AM Challenge Cup Hockey Tournament. Paul Bruce, Sean Callahan, Brendan Murphy and John O'Connell play for the Dual State Huskies Select Mite Team. They had a very successful tournament. They went undefeated in all five games and brought home the Gold Medal in their division. In

addition to the team medal, each boy brought home individual honors.

Brendan Murphy won a full camp scholarship with his winning essay on why he was worthy of such a scholarship. In the individual skills competition, John O'Connell easily won the shootout contest, and Paul Bruce and Sean Callahan were members of the Mite Huskies winning relay team.

Four Wilmington Squirt players

also participated. They include Conor Murphy, Mike DeRosa, Michael Jensen and Stephen Dunnett. These players are members of the Dual State Huskies Select Squirt Minor Team. They played hard throughout the whole tournament and earned the Silver Medal in their division.

Congratulations to all these Wilmington boys for a great tournament.

Sixth graders crowned champions

The Wilmington sixth grade basketball team traveled to Tewksbury for the annual Thanksgiving weekend tournament.

The boys opened with a very tough Everett team on Friday. As usual, the boys started slowly. Great defense by Josh Mayo and Kyle Borseti kept this one close in the first half. Pat Ryan led the scoring charge late in the half as the score was tied at 8-8 at intermission.

The second half started with Wilmington playing intense pressure defense. The pressure paid off with key steals from Dan Patterson and Brendan DeMango.

The Wildcats converted the steals into big hoops as Greg Stewart threw in five points and Tim Kent had 12 of his game high 16 in the second half. Nick Duggan and Mike Thomas were outstanding under the boards as Wilmington went on to win 29-26.

Saturday morning the boys faced archrival Pelham, N.H. Things didn't go well early as Pelham pulled out to a 7-2 lead. Wilmington made some key adjustments defensively and pulled back into this one. Josh Mayo hit two big baskets and Nick Duggan and Mike Thomas threw in a clutch hoop each. The Wildcats battled back to tie the game 16-16 at the half.

The opening minutes of the second half saw a great defensive battle between both teams. Kyle Borseti and Greg Stewart did a wonderful job running the Wilmington offense and applying pressure defense. Pelham had a slim 21-19 lead with 3 minutes left. Then the Wildcats stepped it up.

With unbelievable full court pressure, Wilmington converted numerous steals into big buckets. Pat Ryan threw in six huge points down the stretch. Dan Patterson sank the go ahead basket and Wilmington never looked back. Brendan DeMango and Tim Kent came up with key defensive plays to ice this one for the Wildcats 35-25. What a sweet victory it was.

Saturday afternoon the boys needed to win against Bedford, N.H. to advance to the championship game on Sunday. A slow start offensively has been about the only thing that hasn't gone to plan for this team and this game was no exception. This game was tied 8-8 at one point before Wilmington turned on the jets. Nick Duggan, Josh Mayo and Tim Kent led the early scoring with four points each. Dan Patterson and Brendan DeMango shut Bedford down defensively as Wilmington took an 18-8 lead into halftime.

The second half saw Wilmington's pressure defense once again put a game away. Kyle Borseti and Greg Stewart had numerous steals and Mike Thomas converted four big points in transition. Pat Ryan had another outstanding game as he led all scorers with seven points. Wilmington advanced to the championship game with an impressive 35-21 victory.

Sunday saw the Wildcats facing a very tough Dracut club for the tournament championship. What a surprise, a slow start again. Wilmington controlled play for the entire first half but they were un-

able to convert their scoring opportunities. Great defense once again kept them in this one. Josh Mayo and Mike Thomas came up big defensively in the early going. Nick Duggan controlled the defensive boards and Pat Ryan chipped in with four big first half points. The Wildcats led at the half 14-11.

Dracut came out very aggressively in the second half as they converted a few big steals into points as they took a lead early in the half. Wilmington battled hard to stay in this one. Kyle Borseti kept the Wildcats alive with two huge hoops. Dracut then pulled ahead by six points with two minutes to play. Anyone who didn't know the Wilmington players may have thought this one was over. But, wait a minute! Tim Kent tossed in two straight hoops to pull within two. Wilmington stopped Dracut the next time down the court and Brendan DeMango hit an unbelievable clutch shot to tie it up at 29-29.

After a Dracut timeout, Wilmington needed a stop defensively and that's exactly what they got. The Wildcats brought the ball up looking for a shot from the corner. But the Dracut defense sealed off the shot but Wilmington found Rich Barry open at the foul line. He drove to the hoop and banked one off the glass with three seconds left to give the Wildcats an exciting victory and tournament championship.

The boys represented Wilmington well, not only through their great play but also with tremendous sportsmanship.

Mite C's take on Danvers

Mite C's vs Danvers

It took the Wilmington Mite C's almost a full period to shake off their Thanksgiving holiday. They got the gravy out and the scoring into their veins.

Cody Wilkins got it started when Kyle Gaffey broke up a Danvers rush at center ice. This sprung Cody in alone. He ripped a shot in under the goalie blocker.

Late in the first period the action was hot and heavy in front of the Danvers net. Everyone was in a panic trying to get a handle on the puck. When up stepped Melissa Good, cool as a cucumber to take control and shoot it between the goalie's pads.

At the other end Wilmington's goalie Patrick Young was outstanding, this guy knows how to flash the leather and kick the puck out. In front of Patrick we had the twin towers Brian Hurley and Brian Fitzpatrick who rule in the defensive end for Wilmington.

Late in the second, Tommy Quilty picked up a nice pass from Matt Kasparian who threaded through to Tommy who faked the goalie cold and scored. In the closing seconds Cody (Espe) Wilkins wound it up for another rush, weaving and bopping through the defenders to set himself up for another score and the hat trick.

Mite C's vs Stoneham

The Mite C's were out to stay on their winning track and had their sights set on Stoneham. This new case of players started with Craig Benard who scored when he picked up a deflected pass. Craig also scored Wilmington's last goal and threw in an assist. I'd say Craig's doing just fine.

Next the scoring machine spit out Nick Masiello and when Nick hit the ice he was moving. Nick picked up a stray pass at the blue line, broke to the net, planted one top side for the score.

The second period saw Stoneham spending a lot of time in Wilmington's end. Goalie Tommy Callahan and defenseman Jimmy Mullen were a couple of guys who eat pressure for lunch. Tommy

made a couple of diving saves and Jimmy kept Stoneham bottled up in the corners.

The third period showed some great two way action. Patrick Boudreau led the way with some fine back checking. Midway through the third Jimmy Stokes who had

been passing well the whole game made another sweet pass to Tommy Cushing who spun around in front of the net and bang, boom, Tommy scored. What a game and a great weekend for the Mite C's.

Mite D's play fantastic hockey

Merrimack College 7:10 a.m. the day after Thanksgiving was the place to be to see a super hockey game. Great team play resulted in a shutout for the Wilmington Mite D team.

The defensive squad of Scott Deronde, Cori Michals, Ryan Brothers and John Langenfeld were awesome. They kept the number of shots on net low, plus they helped keep play in the Pentucket end allowing the offense to do their job, and that's what they did with four players scoring enroute to a 5-0

victory. John See had two goals with one each by Adam Martinello, Chris Ryan and Brian Good. Great passing by Brendan Munro, Eddie Sheridan, Tyler MacInnis, Joe Aucoin and Frankie Mearls. Tommy Shafer stopped everything that came at him, that was without even one practice in goalie equipment. Teammates Tyler Stillings and Joe Pino both opted to stay in Florida; wait 'til they join us for the next game.

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NATIONAL AMUSEMENTS

Mite A's remain busy in youth hockey play

Stoneham 4 Wilmington 3
The Wildcat Mite A youth hockey team suffered their first loss in Dual State League action, Saturday at Hallenborg Rink in Billerica.

The Wilmington Mite A team had been cruising along only to run into a hot Stoneham team. Stoneham took an early lead at 11:49 of the first period. Wilmington would find themselves down by two after Stoneham lit the lamp at 6:34 of the same period.

Wilmington finally got on the board, when Ed Barrasso and Brendan Murphy assisted on beauty of a shot from Sean Callahan at 6:35 of the first period. Dan Cushing evened the score at two, when he fired a rocket past the Stoneham goalie at 19:23 of the second period.

Charlie Gendron and Matt Farrell assisted on Cushing's goal. Dan Cushing would cash in again to give the Wildcats the lead, with 3:53 left in the second period, on a laser of a pass from Brendan Murphy, to Cushing in the slot and he fired it home to put the Wildcats up 3-2.

There was no quit in this

Stoneham team, as they tied the game with just 2:38 left in the game. Stoneham scored once again with a backbreaking goal with just 23 seconds left in the contest. John O'Connell was like a brick wall in goal stopping 16 Stoneham shots. Playing solid defense for

Wilmington were, Paul Bruce, Sean Callahan, Jesse Rossetti and Charles Barbaro. Colin Foley, Matt Kincaid, Liam Gately and Kyle Creedon played a solid two way hockey game as forwards.

Wilmington 5 Manch. N.H. 4
These two Teams engaged in a classic, up and down offense, great

goaltending, superb defense and to say the least, an all out effort.

Manchester scored first at 3:48 of the first period, after Wilmington pressured them for much of the first period. Wilmington's bubble could have been burst, but not this group of athletes, they kept up the pressure and mantasined their style of play and finally lightning struck.

At 6:00 minutes of the second period, Liam Gately tapped in a

rebound off of a hard wrist shot by Sean Callahan from the point.

Wilmington's hard work would continue to pay off. Sean Callahan, getting a cameo appearance at forward in this game, fired a cannon past the Manchester goalie to give Wilmington a one goal lead. Manchester would even things up at 2:22 with 3:44 of the second period. Then Wilmington stormed right back and tipped the seesaw back in their favor when Colin Foley broke down the left wing and fired as good a backhanded shot under the crossbar as you will ever see.

Manchester would again tie the game at 11:50 of the third period, but the stingy Wilmington Wildcats weren't going to be denied, when Ed Barrasso sent Danny McDougall in on the Manchester goal and McDougall let one rip into the far corner to take the lead once again.

Sean Callahan scored his second goal of the game and gave Wilmington some much needed breathing room, when Liam Gately fed Callahan a beautiful back-

handed pass, and Callahan fired it home top corner at 4:53 of the third period. Manchester could only muster one more goal at 3:49 of the third period to make the score 5-4.

The rest was history and the Wildcats scratched and clawed during this whole game to earn the victory. Charles Barbaro was sensational in the net for Wilmington as was his defensive corps of Jesse Rossetti, Kyle Creedon, and Paul Bruce. Playing great offensively as well as backchecking defensively were Dan Cushing, Matt Kincaid, Brendan Murphy, Cahrlie Gendron, Matt Farrell and John O'Connell.

Wilmington 4 Burlington 2
Wilmington came out flying in this contest and never looked back. Wilmington's Brendan Murphy connected on two scoring chances and the other two tallies were scored by Matt Farrell and Matt Kincaid. Picking up the assists for Wilmington were John O'Connell(2), Paul Bruce, Charlie Gendron and Colin Foley. Danny McDougall was outstanding in the

net for the Wildcats stopping 12 shots.

Making some super offensive plays were Dan Cushing, Liam Gately and Kyle Creedon. The defensive group of Jesse Rossetti, Charles Barbaro and Sean Callahan were outstanding.

Wilmington 6 Nashua 0
Matt Farrell earned his first shutout and stopped some fierce shots from the Nashua team. Wilmington scored early and often to notch this win. Wilmington got two

goals from Colin Foley, two goals from Matt Kincaid and one each from Dan Cushing and Charles Barbaro.

Picking up the assists for Wilmington were, Liam Gately (2), Charles Barbaro, Matt Kincaid and Charlie Gendron. The offense was spearheaded by Ed Barrasso, Brendan Murphy, Matt Farrell, Danny McDougall and John O'Connell. Kyle Creedon, Paul Bruce, Sean Callahan and Jesse Rossetti played solid on defense.

Wilmington 5 Wakefield 3

Wilmington got early wake up call, and no it wasn't the time (6:00 a.m.), it was from a fierce group of mites from Wakefield. Wilmington jumped out in front early at 9:54 of the first period. Liam Gately, playing perfect position, tapped in a rebound off of a Brendan Murphy shot. Ed Barrasso also picked up an assist on the goal. Matt Kincaid lit the lamp at 2:58 of the first period, when Colin Foley fed him a great pass to put Wilmington up 2-0.

Wakefield snuck one past Wilmington's goalie with just one tick on the clock to close out the first period. Liam Gately would score his second goal of the game at 10:33 of the second period, when he fired a shot to the far corner of the net. Assisting on Gately's goal were Kyle Creedon and Colin Foley. Sean Callahan and Dan Cushing would score the next two unanswered goals to ice the win for Wilmington. Colin Foley picked up

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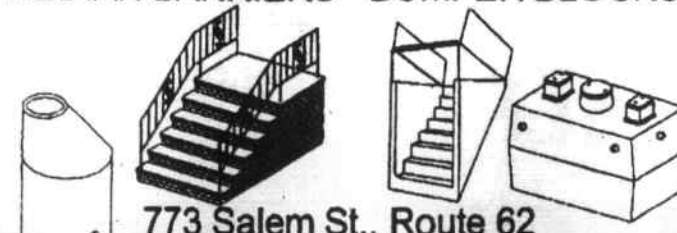
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Mite A's remain busy

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an assist on each of the goals by Callahan and Cushing.

John O'Connell made some acrobatic saves to keep Wilmington in the drivers seat the entire game. Paul Bruce, Kyle Creedon, Sean Callahan and Jesse Rossetti played solid defense in front of O'Connell. Ed Barrasso, Charles Barbaro, Brendan Murphy and Matt Farrell played a huge part of Wilmington's success in this game.

Wilmington 9 Masconomet 2
Masconomet was one of only two teams to hand the Wildcats a loss in Valley League play. Wilmington dropped their season opener to Masconomet 3-2. My how have things changed since then. Masconomet was expecting the same team to show up at Merrimack College, Saturday

night. Well a much different team arrived and Masconomet got a rude awakening. Wilmington left everything they had out on the ice and hustled their way to a commanding 9-2 win.

Wilmington outclassed Masconomet in every facet of this game. Wilmington got goals from John O'Connell (3), Ed Barrasso (2), Paul Bruce (2), Matt Kincaid and Dan Cushing one apiece. Pick-

ing up assists for the Wildcats were, Danny McDougall (3), Dan Cushing (3), Kyle Creedon, Matt Kincaid, Charlie Gendron, Sean Callahan, Jesse Rossetti and Liam Gately. Charles Barbaro was stellar in the net for Wilmington stopping 13 Masconomet shots. Wilmington also got strong performances from Brendan Murphy, Matt Farrell and Colin Foley.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARINGS

Case 52-2000

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on December 18, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of PGA Realty Trust, c/o Peter Crocker, 565 Turnpike Street, No. Andover, MA 01845, to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with Sec. 6.6.7.7 to construct a new building and render the property 15% impervious for property located on Andover Street and Upton Drive. Map R1 Parcel 18D, 18C, 204.

Case 53-2000

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on December 18, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Jeffrey Miller, 6 Emerald Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887, to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with Sec. 5.3.4 for a hammerhead lot for property located on Lot 3B Emerald Avenue. Map R1 Parcel 6E.

Case 54-2000

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on December 18, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. on the application of Jeffrey Miller, 6 Emerald Avenue, Wilmington, MA 01887, to acquire a Special Permit in accordance with Sec. 5.3.4 for a hammerhead lot for property located on Lot 3A Emerald Avenue. Map R1 Parcel 6E.

Wilmington Board
of Appeals
N29, D6;1825, 26, 27

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on December 19, 2000 at 7:45 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA, Room 9 on Site Plan Review #00-24 dated November 8, 2000, submitted on November 13, 2000 by Terra Nova Partners, LLC, c/o William Rand, 124 Mount Auburn Street, Suite 200N, Cambridge, MA 02138. Said property is located on 114 West Street and shown on Assessor's Map 71 Parcels 7 & 8. This application is for the proposed construction of a 101,430 square foot three-story office building. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Scott Garratt, Chair
Wilmington
Planning Board
N29,D6;1812

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX SS DIVISION DOCKET NO. 00P5632EP PROBATE OF WILL WITHOUT SURETIES

Estate of Vincent J. Castellano also known as Vincent James Castellano late of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex.

NOTICE
A Petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain Instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased may be proved and allowed and that Marjorie Castellano of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex be appointed executrix without giving surety on her bond(s).

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon on December 27, 2000.

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petitions, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within (30) days after return day (or such time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, Massachusetts, the twenty-first day of November in the year of our Lord Two Thousand.

Lee G. Johnson, Register of Probate Court
N29;1815

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Room 9, Town Hall at 7:20 P.M. on Monday, December 11, 2000 in compliance with General Laws Chapter 140, Section 59, on the application of Richard Vetrano, of East Coast Customs for a Class II License to allow the sale of used motor vehicles at 845 Woburn Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts.

Michael J. Newhouse, Chairman
Board of Selectmen
N29;1830

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX, SS DIVISION DOCKET NO. 94P5202PG NOTICE

In the estate of Donald Freeman.
To all persons interested in the estate of Donald Freeman of Tewksbury in the County of Middlesex:

A Petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying for the further authority to administer electroconvulsive therapy (E.C.T.).

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Middlesex Probate and Family Trial Court, 208 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02141, on or before 10:00 A.M. in the forenoon on December 19, 2000.

Witness, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge, Massachusetts, the fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord Two Thousand.

Lee G. Johnson, Register of Probate Court
N29;1823

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. 85P5780AP

Notice of Fiduciary's Account
To all persons interested in the estate of Leonard O'Dolan late of Tewksbury, Middlesex.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the late and final account of Cheryl Sharra as Public Administratrix (the fiduciary) of said estate of said deceased has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge on or before the 17th day of January, 2001 the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account. If you desire to object to any item of said account, you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, Sheila E. McGovern, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge this 15th day of November, 2000.

Lee G. Johnson
Register of Probate
N29;1814

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT MIDDLESEX DIVISION DOCKET NO. 00A0546AC CITATION

M.G.L. c. 210, Sec. 6
In the Matter of Amanda Lee Fields, minor. To James Kenneth Fields, Wilmington, MA and/or persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Social Services of said Commonwealth.

A petition has been presented to said court by Robert L. Lagasse Jr. and Michelle Lagasse of Lowell, MA praying for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to Amanda Lee Lagasse.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA 02141 before ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 A.M.) on December 15, 2000.

Witness Sheila E. McGovern Esquire, First Justice of said Court.

Date October 30, 2000.
Lee G. Johnson
Register of Probate
N22,29;1807

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

SITE PLAN SPECIAL PERMIT
Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on December 11, 2000 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Omnipoint Holdings. Said property is located at 1500 Andover Street. Assessor's Map(s) 39 Lot(s) 23. Proposed cellular antenna within a church steeple.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Frank Sweet
Chairman
N22,29;1807

LEGAL NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM

Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application Number W00-0037

Keith & Karen Himmel

Notification Date: Dec. 13, 2000

Public notice is hereby given of the application by Keith & Karen Himmel to construct and maintain two floating docks at 16 Grove Avenue, in the municipality of Wilmington, in and over the waters of Silver Lake. The proposed use of the structure/s and/or fill is to provide access to navigable waters and is a water-dependent project.

The Department will consider all written comments submitted 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date." A public hearing may be held upon written request by the municipal official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted comments may also "petition to intervene" to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any rights to an adjudicatory hearing. For information call (978) 661-7774. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing at the address below. Written comments should be addressed to J. Sprague, Section Chief, DWW, 205A Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA 01887.
N29;1831

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, December 6, 2000 at 9:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by One Hundred West Street, Wilmington Ltd. Partnership, One Wall Street, Burlington, MA 01803, applicant and co-owner, and Theodora Trust, 18-20 Woburn Street, Reading, MA 01867, co-owner. This filing is for the construction of a 110,000 square foot office building and parking lot. This work is within the 100 foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. Property is located on Assessor's Map 71 Parcels 3, 4 & 5, 100, 102 & 104 West Street, Wilmington, MA. 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington, Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

James Morris, Chair
Conservation Commission
N29;1822

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

(SEAL) Case No. 267568

To Thomas G. Lucci and all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended:

Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 28 Veranda Avenue given by Thomas G. Lucci to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, dated December 20, 1999, and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 10593, Page 297 has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 25th day of December 2000, or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, Peter W. Kilborn, Chief Justice of said Court this 13th day of November 2000.

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
Recorder
N29;1816

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



PLANNING BOARD LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING

HEIGHT SPECIAL PERMIT
Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on December 11, 2000 at 7:15 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Yvon Cormier Construction Corp. Said property is located on 1596 Andover Street Assessor's Map(s) 53 Lot(s) 29.

The application may be examined in the Planning and Conservation Department during normal business hours Monday through Friday.

Frank Sweet
Chairman
N22,29;1808

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Wilmington will be accepting proposals to conduct group trip to Alaska, Cruise-tour #6 aboard Royal Caribbean's Rhapsody of the Seas. Sealed proposals, marked "Alaska Cruise-tour" on the outside, will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2000 when and where they will be publicly opened and read.

Specifications may be obtained at the Town Hall in the Recreation Office between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

The Town of Wilmington reserves the right to reject the proposal or any part thereof deemed not to be in the best interest of the Town of Wilmington.

For further information contact the Wilmington Recreation Department at 978-658-4270.
N29;1832

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, December 6, 2000 after 8:45 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Notice of Intent, filed by Tricon Construction, 5 Middlesex Avenue, Suite 15A, Wilmington, MA, 01887, owner & applicant. The filing is for the construction of a single family dwelling with driveway and septic system with proposed alteration of bordering vegetated wetlands and bank, as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. Property is located on Assessor's Map 74 Parcels 2N (Lot 4), 6 Foley Farm Road, Wilmington, MA as shown on a Definitive Subdivision Plan submitted to the Wilmington Planning Board. Plans and application may be viewed during normal office hours at the Planning & Conservation Dept., Room 6.
James Morris, Chair
Conservation Commission
N29;1821

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PUBLIC INFORMATION AVAILABILITY SESSION

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Edward D. Tarlow, Trustee of North Street Irrevocable Trust, Everett N. Cole and Louise Cole to Bank Five for Savings dated October 04, 1990 and recorded with the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds in Book 5348, page 221 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by virtue of an assignment to it recorded at Book 9459, Page 139 for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purposes of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the 15th day of December, A.D. 2000, on the mortgaged premises described below, being known as North Street, Tewksbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: Lot B on a plan of land recorded with Middlesex North Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 123, Plan 146. Containing about 1.3 acres of land, according to said plan. Subject to easements and restrictions of record, including but not limited to an easement five hundred (500') feet in width to New England Power Company recorded at Book 761, Page 373 and a drain easement five hundred fifty (550') feet in length, recorded at Book 1037, Page 503.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by a public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments, or liens having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any.

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Other terms, if any, to be announced at sale.

David Ward, Trustee
937 North Street Realty Trust
by its attorney,
Robert G. Scaranano, Esq.
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1147 Main Street, Suite 106
Tewksbury, MA 01876
Tel: 978-640-0163

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on December 19, 2000 at 8:15 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on Site Plan Review #00-25 dated November 22, 2000, submitted on November 22, 2000 by Mark Levine, Symmes, Mann & McKee Associates on behalf of 100 West Street, Wilmington Limited Partnership, One Wall Street, Burlington, MA 01803. Said property is located on West Street and shown as Assessor's Map 71, Parcels 3, 4, and 5. This application is for the proposed construction of a 112,000 square foot two story office building with 322 parking spaces, and associated site and utility improvements. A portion of the parking will be constructed beneath the building. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Scott Garratt, Chair
Wilmington
Planning Board
N28,D6;1828

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING

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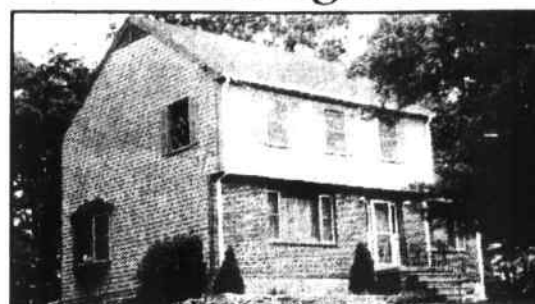
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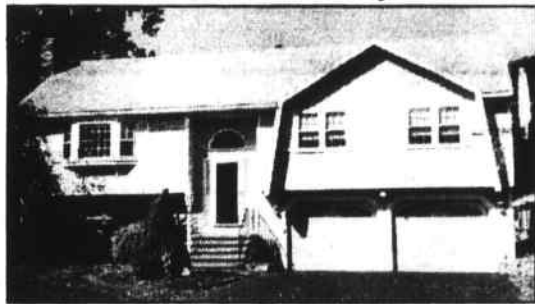
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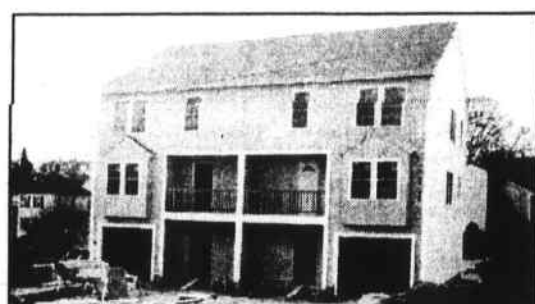


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Tewksbury

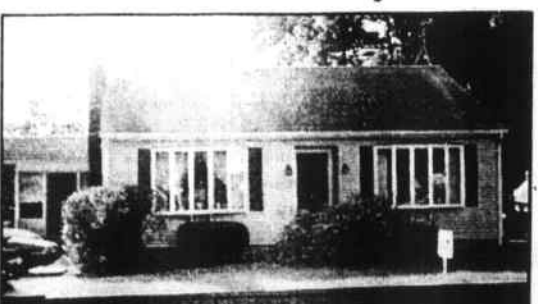


Investors or owner occupied! Rare two family in great area offering six rooms, three bedrooms and one bath in main home and four rooms, two bedrooms and one bath on second floor, new vinyl siding and centrally located.

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Tewksbury



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Lowell - Two Family!

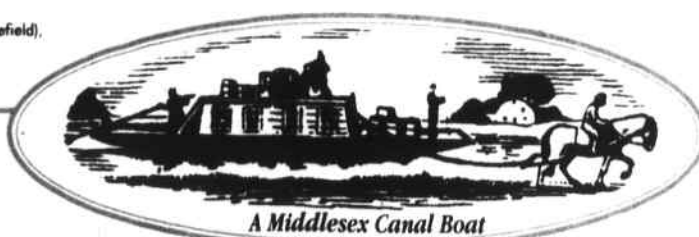
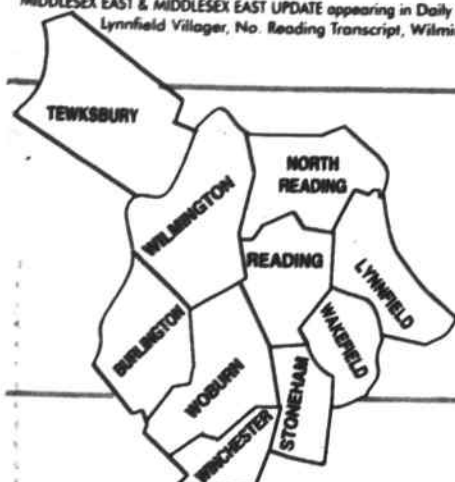


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(Photo by Don Young)

Woodchips

ANTHONY MANCONI

Albert Einstein of MC2 fame was asked in an interview, "Sir, if you had your life to live over again what would you be?" Mr. Einstein didn't hesitate an instant replied, "I'd be a Plumber! - No pressure after 5 pm." Mario loves his beer, his first girl friend was Ann Houser Busch. Then he fell in love with A. Reingold Beauty. Today, he is still drinking but he is older and Bud-Wiser.

Babe Ruth was idolized by

millions of sport fans. One day he swing twice and missed - "strike two" the umpire shouted. Some people in the stands booed unmercifully. The great Babe pointed to a spot in the right field in Yankee Stadium and in the next pitch, he hit the ball that sailed almost with the speed of light to the very spot he had pointed.

Richie Gillis got a job with a playground equipment company. He was assigned to the Swing-

Shift. Millions of people had seen an apple fall but Sir Isaac Newton was the only one who asked, "Why?" Dennis Tully complained to Brian McCarthy that he was ten dollars short in his pay envelope. Brian looked at the ledger and said, "Yes, Dennis but look here, you were overpaid ten dollars last week and why didn't you come running to me to tell me that?" "Because Brian" Dennis explained, "One mistake I can

tolerate but not two in a row?" Folks, we cannot lead anyone any further than we have gone ourselves. Johnny Ave told Sal DiCarlo, "you are so fat it is a lot easier to get around Bell's Circle than it is to go around you." I know Johnny is right. I saw Sal walk into the water at Revere Beach and the tide came in. Progress is wonderful. It has created substitutes for every-

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December 4

Auditions for cabaret

Auditions for the 80th Annual Cabaret to benefit the Winchester Hospital will take place on Monday, December 4 and Tuesday, December 5 at 7 pm.

Choose either night and come to the Winchester Town Hall at 71 Mt. Vernon Street in Winchester to show off your talents.

Everyone who auditions will be a part of the show, so do not

be shy! Singers should bring sheet music and be prepared to sing 16 bars; dancers should bring footwear in the dance style of their choice.

Rehearsals begin January 2 and run every night throughout the month. Show dates are January 30 - February 3, and participants must be available for all performances.

Call Ruth Ann with any questions at 781-932-4277.

Elliott Club for Handicapped welcomes new members

The Elliott Club for Handicapped, Inc., is a club started 25 years ago to help individuals in neighboring communities who have no social club to attend.

"We recently held our installation of officers at Anthony's in Malden, and a great time was had by all" said Claire Bousquet, a founder of the organization.

She went on to add: "Our Club represents the social aspects of life to those who move a bit slower. All handicaps, as we know are not visible. We cater to anyone 18 years of age, younger if accompanied by an adult, and older, who would enjoy meeting socially for good

meals, great trips and wonderful friendships."

Phyllis Drexler, president, added "We are the only non-profit, volunteer program of its kind in the state. There are many medical and religious programs available, but this social aspect is often overlooked by the local service providers, and you do not need a doctor's order to join our group. We have no financial, race, creed, sex, color or city limits. Our door is open to all."

All interested persons who would like more information or a newsletter of events, please call Phyllis Drexler at 781-438-3687 or the treasurer Arthur Downing at 781-933-6241.

Operation A.B.L.E. workshop for mature job hunters

Operation A.B.L.E., a recognized non-profit adult learning center best known for helping mature workers, will present "Interviewing Strategies for the Mature Worker" on Monday, December 4 at their training center, 390 Main Street in Woburn.

This workshop is designed to assist job hunters with tips, techniques and strategies to interview more effectively as a mature worker.

Job hunters will discuss age discrimination and how to deal with it, learn how to respond to behavioral interview questions, and how to present maturity and life and work experience as the assets they truly are.

Earlier this year, the Commonwealth's Blue Ribbon Commission on Older Workers released a report that stated "Barring unforeseen events, older workers, those age 45-69, will provide also of the net growth in the labor supply

through the year 2006." Yet many older workers are not able to find jobs, face age discrimination and are not prepared for the tougher interviews employers are conducting.

The workshop will be held from 5 to 7 pm and is open to the public. The cost is \$5 and space is limited. Pre-registration is necessary and call Susan Jepson at 781-938-7553 to register or for more information.

Tree lighting this Friday night

The "Tree Lighting Celebration" will be held at the International Family Church, 620 Washington Street, Winchester on December 1 at 7 pm. This will be a Winter Wonderland come to life with over 100,000 lights. There will be free horse-drawn carriage rides and free refreshments. Bring the whole family and all are welcome.

About The Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

Wilmington welcomes Chaput

"The Town of Wilmington has welcomed James Chaput as its new Community Development Program Director," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"Mr. Chaput comes to the position from the city of Somerville where he managed a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded Storefront Improvement program for six years.

"He also managed a small business loan program as well as other business assistance programs for the city of Somerville. Previous to his work in Somerville, Mr. Chaput worked in the Quincy City Hall managing that community's First Time Homebuyer Program and the Soft-Second Home Mortgage program. Mr. Chaput also managed a Small Cities (CDBG) Program in West Warwick, RI.

"Mr. Chaput said, 'I look forward to the challenges of my new position with the town and I will take pleasure from working with Wilmington families to renovate their homes through the Wilmington Housing Rehab Program. I also look forward to working with Michael Cairra, Town Manager, Lynn Duncan, Director of Planning and Conservation and the Community Development Program, and all other town staff to ensure that the families in Wilmington are well served in the programs I will manage.'"

Woburn honors Tewksbury's Mazza

Friends and colleagues gathered at the police station to toast Lt. James Mazza, retiring after 34 years on the force," notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

Fluid situations reign

"Mazza, 55, moved to Woburn from Watertown when he was 7 years old and graduated from Woburn High School. His mother, Esther, still lives on the West Side.

"He has been married to his 'lovely wife, Trudy,' short for Gertrude, for more than 34 years.

"They live in Tewksbury and have three children: Carrie, who is married to a Tewksbury police officer; Joelle, married to an engineer; and James, Jr., in his third year of law school at the University of Illinois.

"Mazza joined the Woburn Police Department immediately after his service in the U.S. Coast Guard, where he served as a Merchant Marine investigator, brig warden and shore patrol.

"Although retiring from the Woburn Police Department, Mazza isn't going to have too much free time on his hands. He will continue teaching, which he's been doing for more than 25 years, both college students and other police officers.

"After attending Northeastern University at night, juggling school, family and career, Mazza received a bachelor of science degree in 1974; he then received a masters in public administration from Suffolk University and studied toward a doctorate in higher education administration back at Northeastern before scheduling and other commitments put that on hold.

"Mazza currently teaches both business and criminal justice classes at Northeastern and Middlesex Community College.

"As well, he's been teaching in-service courses for the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Council, and taught courses for officers in his own and other police departments in domestic violence training, Breathalyzer administration, report writing, criminal law

instruction, etc.

"Mazza said probably the thing that's changed the most over the years is the amount of training required for new officers...."

Water 'works' in Lynnfield

"The Lynnfield Center Water District received a Massachusetts Public Water System Award, which annually recognizes community water suppliers for their outstanding performance in several key areas of operation," notes the "Lynnfield Villager."

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Middlesex East Sports Athletes & Activities

BY PAUL FEELY

•MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION: With what four teams did Roger Maris play in his 12-year career? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•READING'S RYAN KILEY scored a goal for the Merrimack College men's ice hockey team against Nebraska Omaha last weekend.

•BURLINGTON'S MICHELLE LABOMBARD became a starter as a sophomore this year for the UMass-Amherst women's rugby team, which has won the Division 1 Northeast Region three years in a row. While at Burlington High, Michelle was an outstanding three-sport athlete, serving as girls varsity soccer captain and a Middlesex League and Lowell Sun All Star in both winter and spring track.

The second, third, and fourth place finishers for the Austin Preparatory School boys cross country team at the Class D cross country meet in Franklin Park were all from WILMINGTON. Freshman **JOHN CUOCO** placed 38th, senior and co-captain **JOHN EATON** placed 87th, and junior **ROB MILLS** finished 100th.

•READING'S MELISSA RICHARDS was named a Second Team Selection to the 2000 AstroTurf/NFHCA Northeast Regional All-America Team

for her efforts as a member of the University of New Hampshire field hockey team. Richards has been a cornerstone of the team's defense over the last four seasons. Richards started in 79 of 80 games in her four-year career and was a staple of the defensive penalty corner unit.

•WILMINGTON'S DANIELLE FARO and TEWKSBURY'S MAURA KEE are top members of the Austin Preparatory School's girls cross country team.

•NORTH READING'S FRANK POWERS, a sophomore at Austin Prep, had 16 carries for 146 yards and rushed for a touchdown and a two-point conversion in a 44-0 win over Trinity Catholic recently.

Need some clues to help out with the above-mentioned trivia question? One of the teams was the St. Louis Cardinals.

The **ALPENHOF SKI CLUB** invites new members to apply for membership. Membership is open to skiing youth in Stoneham and the surrounding towns. In order to join, you must be present with a parent at this meeting. Your parent must sign your membership application and supply your health insurance number for emergency use. Your parent must sign your membership application and supply your

health insurance number for emergency use. Membership in the club is open to anyone in grades 7 through 12 in any local school. Stoneham, Melrose, Reading and Wakefield are a few of the towns represented in the club. The club is open to skiers only, and snow boarders are not allowed to participate in club activities.

Nominations are now being accepted until December 31 for athletes to be inducted into the Winchester Hall of Fame. To be nominated, candidates must have been graduated for at least 10 years and receive the support, in writing, of five former or current residents of Winchester. Packaged nominations should be sent to Whitney Gay, 5 North Gateway, Winchester, 01890. Call 781-729-1319 for more information.

•NORTH READING'S CHRIS ANGIOLILLO, a sophomore running back at Austin Prep, ran 73 yards in nine carries in a recent win over Trinity Catholic.

The MIAA has chosen **TEWKSBURY** to receive its Sportsmanship Award for District A, which represents 55 schools in the state.

•ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION: The four teams are the Cleveland Indians, Kansas City A's, New York Yankees and the St. Louis Cardinals.

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A Listing of Interesting Events and Happenings

SONS OF ITALY BAKING NIGHT

On Wednesday, December 13, at 6:30 pm the Burlington Sons of Italy will be having an Italian Christmas Baking Night to be held at the Burlington Recreation Department Building Center. Admission fee is \$4.

Participants are required to bake a recipe of at least 3 dozen cookies or bars or breads with 50 copies of the recipe. Learn about Italian Christmas and taste delicious pastry. For information call 781-982-8203.

ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW IN LYNNFIELD

On Saturday, December 2 the Lynnfield Arts Guild will hold their annual Arts & Crafts Show and Sale at the Centre Congregational Church, Lynnfield Center. Hours are from 9 am to 3 pm.

Original paintings, photographs, crafts and mini-paintings will be offered for sale. The public is cordially invited to attend this exhibit. There will be no charge for this event.

LEARN TO SKATE AT MDC RINKS

Classes for children ages 5 and up and adults for all levels using figure or hockey skates will be held afternoons, evenings and weekends. Lessons are at 15 greater Boston locations including Cambridge, Lynn, Medford and Somerville.

Register and call the Bay State Ice Skating School at 781-890-8480 or online at www.iceskatingclasses.com.

DECORATE BREAKHEART WITH SANTA

Join with the Metropolitan District Commission, The Friends of Breakheart Reservation and the Saugus Youth Commission is welcoming Santa to Breakheart on Sunday, December 3 from 2 to 4 pm where he will help us decorate the park entrance for the holiday season.

There will be caroling, decoration making, hot cocoa and a roaring campfire. Bring your camera for children's photos with Santa and your list for him to take back to the North Pole. The event is free but donations will be given to local charities this holiday season.

For additional information contact Breakheart at 781-233-0834 or the Friends of Breakheart at breakheart@aol.com.

"OLIVER" LAUNCHES BCT 50TH SEASON

"Oliver" Broadway musical based on Charles Dickens' "Oliver Twist" will be presented by Boston Children's Theatre, C. Walsh Theatre at Suffolk University at 55 Temple Street, Boston.

Public performances are on December 15 9:30 am and 12 noon.

Call 617-424-6634 or visit the web site at <http://www.bostonchildrenstheatre.org> for more information.

COUNTRY LINE DANCING COUNTRY WESTERN LINE DANCE

Instruction will be offered on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm at the Melrose Highlands Church located at 355 Franklin Street, floor 2 in Melrose Highlands.

Admission is \$5 for children under 15 and must be accompanied by an adult.

Call John for free flyer and more information at 781-665-1881.

TEMPLE HOSTS TOT SHABBAT SERVICE

Temple Shalom Emeth in Burlington will host a Tot Shabbat program on Saturday, December 2 at 10 am at the temple. Following the service Israeli Dancing and how to make dreidel people will be taught.

Tot Shabbat is open to all families with children ages five and under. Older siblings are always welcome. The Shabbat service, craft activities, and snacks are free of charge.

For more information or to be added to the mailing list call Susan Rocca or Michelle Fox at the temple at 781-272-2351.

NEWBURYPORT CHORAL HOLDS 2000 HOLIDAY CONCERTS

Newburyport Choral Society, one of the largest and oldest choral groups in New England will open its 66th performance

year by presenting its annual holiday concerts on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 8, 9 and 10 in the Belleville Congregational Church, High Street in Newburyport. The concerts on Friday and Saturday evenings begin at 8 pm and on Sunday afternoon, the concert is at 2 pm.

The featured work for the Society's concerts will be John Rutter's "Gloria." The program also will include other music of the season, including traditional carols with audience participation.

Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$15 for seniors and students. For additional information call 978-462-0650.

NECC CHORUS PERFORMS HOLIDAY CONCERT

The Chorus and Performance Ensemble at Northern Essex Community College will hold its annual holiday concert on Saturday, December 9 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, December 10 at 2 pm.

The program will consist of a variety of musical styles such as pop, rock, swing and classical and will be held in the Bentley Library Conference Area on the college's Haverhill campus. While admission is free of charge, donations will be accepted. Refreshments and a raffle will be available.

For more information contact Michael Finegold, faculty advisor at 978-556-3413.

AUDITIONS FOR "CABARET" BENEFITS HOSPITAL

Join the fun and participate in the 80th annual Cabaret to benefit Winchester Hospital.

Auditions for the show entitled, "Cabaret.Com" will take place on Monday, December 4 and Tuesday, December 5 at 7 pm. Choose either night and come to the Winchester Town Hall at 71 Mt. Vernon Street in Winchester to show off your talents.

Everyone who auditions will be part of the show, so do not be shy. Singers should bring sheet music and be prepared to sing 16 bars; dancers should bring footwear in the dance style of their choice.

Rehearsals begin January 2 and run every night throughout the month. Show dates are January 30 - February 3 and participants must be available for all performances.

Call Ruth Ann with any questions at 781-932-4277.

NORTH READING CHORAL WILL HOLD CONCERT

On December 8 at 8 pm at the Aldersgate Methodist Church, 235 Park Street, North Reading, there will be a choral annual Christmas concert, given by The North Reading Community Choral.

Call Nancy at 978-664-4800 for tickets or for more information.

STONEHAM ARTS & CRAFTS SOCIETY NEWS

The Stoneham Arts & Crafts Society will hold their regular business meeting on December 6 at 9:30 am at the Stoneham Public Library.

This meeting will be a Christmas lunch so reservations and payment must be made prior to the meeting.

Please call Bernadine at 438-4235 or Pat at 438-4159 for more information.

Those wishing to exchange gifts should bring a wrapped \$5 grab and sign ups for the following workshops will be offered at this time: Dec. 13 - decorative goose egg with Sophie Chetwynd and Christmas twig wreath with Dot Pullo; and Dec. 20 - Christmas ornaments with Ruann Warford. There will be no workshop on Dec. 27 due to Christmas week.

AMERICAN CAR CULTURE EXHIBIT

The Institute of Contemporary Art, 955 Boylston Street, Boston will hold an ongoing show through December 31 "Customized: Art Inspired by Hot Rods, Low Riders & American Car Culture."

With their souped up engines and sleekly restyled exteriors, hot rods have the captured the

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 imagination of Americans for generations - from the enthusiasts who drive and customize them to the artists who glorify them. This unprecedented exhibition examines the artists who have defined the imagery and attitude of American car culture.

For more information contact Melissa Kuronen, Communications Manager at 617-927-6617.

BECOME A BIG SISTER

The Big Sister Association of Greater Boston is seeking women to provide friendship and support to girls in the community.

An information session will be held at the Peabody office, located at 47-49 Central Street, Peabody on Monday, December 11 from 6 to 7 pm.

To register or for more information call 978-5310-8040 or 617-236-8060.

Information sessions will also be held at the Boston office, 161 Mass. Avenue, 2nd floor, Boston on Monday, December 6 from 6 to 7 pm; Tuesday, December 12, from 6 to 7 pm.; and Wednesday, December 20, from 6 to 7 pm.

Registration is not required for Boston orientations. For more information call 617-236-8060 or go to www.bigsister.org.

HOPE: A SUPPORT GROUP OR PARENTS OF LOSS

HOPE (Helping Other parents Endure) is a peer support

group for parents who have lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, or neonatal death that meets the second Wednesday of every month. On Wednesday, December 13 at 7:30 pm, HOPE will hold a non-denominational Holiday Memorial Service in the Keating Conference Room at Baldwin Park 1, 12 Alfred Street in Woburn.

Baldwin Park I is conveniently located off of Route 128, Exit #35 (Route 38). Once in rotary, follow signs for Route 38 North - Wilmington and take a right at first traffic light (Alfred Street). Baldwin Park I will be on your left. The Keating Conference Room is located on the first floor. For more information call Rindy Huebner at 781-273-2624.

SUICIDE LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

The Samaritans of Boston is hosting an additional Sale Place support group for those who have lost loved ones to suicide.

The new Safe Place will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 pm.

The new location is at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital on the fifth floor of the Shapiro building in the JCRT Radiology Conference Room. For directions or for more information about this support group call 617-536-2460.

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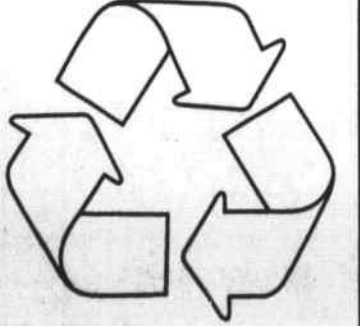
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The Wound Care Center is designed to provide a multidisciplinary approach to the evaluation and treatment of chronic, nonhealing wounds. Joanne Kennett is the Wound Care Center Program Director, and co-Medical Directors are William Breckwoldt, III, M.D. and Richard Aubry, M.D.

The Wound Care Center's new site is conveniently located in Medford Square at 75 Riverside Avenue just off exit 32 from route 93. The Wound Care Center was previously located at the Family Medical Center in Wilmington.

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New digital imaging system for skin cancer

The Lahey Clinic Northshore in Peabody has been selected to conduct clinical trials with a new digital imaging system that could prove instrumental in the early detection of skin cancer. This new system, made by the SIAS Company in California, uses proprietary software to capture, archive, map, and retrieve digital images of skin moles.

"Since early detection is the best treatment, we are excited about what this means to the more than one million people who will be diagnosed with skin cancer this year. Photo-documentation provides a clear and accurate record of moles and other lesions, giving us the best record for long-term monitoring," said Lahey Clinic Dermatologist Darlene Johnson, MD, who runs a special program to follow high risk

patients.

The system uses a digital camcorder to acquire the image of the mole or lesion which is then mapped to a model of the patient for accurate identification. On a return visit, a new image is taken and compared to the previous image. By providing an accurate visual image of the mole, any changes to size, shape, or color are readily apparent. With repeat visits, the system will provide continual monitoring of a patient's moles for many years.

Darlene Johnson, MD, who specializes in skin cancer, is using the system at Lahey's new "pigmented lesions clinic" where at-risk patients - those with a family history of melanomas, people who have had previous melanomas, and those with numerous suspicious moles - are being monitored. Patients wanting more information on the lesions clinic or the new digital imaging system should call Janet at 781-744-8444.



IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS Dad Steve Curran, Mom Cathy, children Matthew (4) and Emily (5) and their Nana Sheila Rivela, all of Woburn, admire this toy sled at the annual Holly Festival crafts show held at Saint Joseph's Church parish hall in Wakefield on Saturday, November 11.

Dr. Caselle forms new company

Dr. Paul Caselle, a Wilmington dentist, has opened a new company, Dental Management Decisions. Dr. Caselle, with over 23 years in

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Hectic holiday eating can wreck diabetic diet

By Dr. Stephen Kelly, M.D.

The holiday season often includes food temptations and hectic schedules. For those managing a serious disease like diabetes, which requires a strict diet and careful blood-glucose monitoring, it is a potentially difficult time of year. However, with a little planning, patients can effectively avoid the pitfalls of the holiday season. Here are some tips that have helped my patients navigate the holiday festivities:

*Never go to a party when you are hungry. If you eat before you socialize, you will be less tempted to overindulge. When at a party be very careful to control your portions. Also, eat slowly, which will help you to feel full.

*Establish goals before the holidays begin and, to stay on track, remind yourself of your goals occasionally. This will help you fight the desire to stray from a healthy routine.

*Do not associate togetherness only with meals. You can enjoy the company of your family in many ways over the holidays. Play a board game, go for a walk or plan other activities

that keep you busy and away from the situations that encourage you to overindulge.

*If you allow yourself a few holiday treats, don't fall into the trap of extending these eating choices past the holiday season. Reestablish your normal patterns as soon as the holidays have ended.

*Continue frequent glucose monitoring and prompt insulin administration, if necessary. If you feel uncomfortable injecting insulin around others, consider using an insulin pen delivery system instead of the traditional vial and syringe.

Patients with diabetes should approach the holidays positively. By setting realistic goals, diabetes patients can keep the disease under control while still enjoying the holiday season. If you are a patient with diabetes, ask your doctor about treatment options that may help you to effectively manage your condition.

Stephen Kelly, M.D. is a family physician with a private partnership practice in Dobbs Ferry, NY and an assistant attending physician in the department of family practice at New York Medical College.

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Intranets donates turkeys and volunteers at holidays

by Erin Haggerty
Despite booming economic times, in the past year food pantries in Massachusetts have seen demand increase 78 percent. For some, turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy and gathering with family and friends means Thanksgiving. For others, it is a reminder of what they don't have, relying upon the generosity of others to provide a holiday meal. In Woburn, the Council of Social Concern and the Woburn Council of Aging organize an annual Food Basket Project with the help of community members and local businesses.

One local company, Intranets.com, donated 50 turkeys, and several of its employees volunteered to help

clear for us as a corporate resident to help those in need during this holiday season."

Last year the Council of Social Concern delivered close to 600 food baskets for both the Thanksgiving and the Christmas Holiday. With the help of community residents and companies like Intranets.com, the Food Basket Project donated more than 350 food baskets just for Thanksgiving.

"We are so grateful to everyone who donated time and food to the Food Basket Project," said Mary Laing, food pantry coordinator. "This Thanksgiving we helped more than 350 families. And we are so thankful that companies, like Intranets.com,



VOLUNTEERS FROM WOBURN. based Intranets.com deliver more than 50 turkeys, food items and cash donations to the Woburn Council of Social Concern's Holiday Food Basket project for 2000. Pictured from left to right Intranets.com volunteers: E.J. McGowan, Chief Technology Officer; Stephen Maloney, Assistant Controller; Sheryl Victor, Channel Marketing Manager; and Morris Porter, Manager of Business Development.

the Food Basket Project by transporting food to the Veteran's Memorial Senior Center.

"We were encouraged when we learned of the work the Woburn Council of Social Concern does to help its residents," said Steve Crumney, President and CEO of Intranets.com. "We knew we wanted to help our community in some way and the Food Basket Project is a perfect vehi-

are here to help."

This annual drive begins before Thanksgiving and continues through the holiday season. Volunteer opportunities range from conducting a neighborhood food drive to preparing food baskets to transporting food and delivering baskets. To volunteer your time or donate food for the Food Basket Project in December contact the Woburn Council of Social Concern at (781)935-6495.

School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

Numbers up in Winchester

"According to numbers discussed at a Winchester School Committee meeting, student enrollment is up 165 students since 1999. The figures are based on enrollment when all students systemwide were in attendance," notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Winchester Public Schools are now home to 3,365 students. The increase, according to Superintendent Carol Eaton, is enough to require more teachers, especially the ones requested at Vinson-Owen where 24 more students now attend.

New numbers, old notes, new directions

"Projected enrollment, established between February and March of this year, has proved to be somewhat inaccurate, particularly at the McCall, where enrollment exceeded the projection by 25 students with an overall enrollment increase of 37 students in the school since last year.

"The largest surge occurred at the high school with 75 new students enrolled. Although unexpected, grade 12 had the largest increase as a class with 38 more students.

"According to the student representative to the school committee Jane Kim, a senior at the high school, all is running smoothly...."

Quite the send-off, from North Reading

"North Reading High School's award-winning musicians performed for their spring concert for their hometown audience," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"In addition to performances by the Jazz Ensemble, the Mixed Chorus and the Concert Band, students with three years of participation in band and chorus were presented with letters from Director of Music Agatha Marano and Band Director Eric Forman.

"Band letter recipients were Clara Chen, Jennifer Cornetta, Tim Gramstorff, Rebecca Jervey, Bethany Luongo, Jason MacKeon, Bob Monk, Peter Pappavasilio, Penney Richards and Michael Silvestro.

"Chorus letter recipients included two seniors and eight juniors. They were seniors

Jaime Maslar and Rob Pawle and juniors Lauren Cornetta, Nicole Howard, Rebecca Jervey, Hae Kyu Lee, Kelly O'Neil, Lindsay Polito, Ashley Puopolo and Andrea Rogers.

"Receiving special recognition for their selection to the Northeast District Band were senior band members Dave Bailey and Jennifer Cornetta and junior band members Matt Reed and Alex Papanicholas.

"Finally, the senior awards were presented to those seniors who have proven to be exceptional musicians throughout their high school careers. Trumpet player Andy Mustone was presented the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award and Dave Bailey was awarded both the National Choral Award for his singing ability and the John Philip Sousa Award for excellence in concert band.

Improvements in place, around Stoneham

"The Stoneham High School Council announced its School

Improvement plan for the current school year," notes the "Stoneham Independent."

"SHS Principal Tom Ryan highlighted some of the goals that the council is working towards.

"The council wishes to define more clearly the transition point from eighth to ninth grade for both students and parents; provide an informational brochure to parents of new ninth graders; spotlight the less traditional avenues taken by SHS alumnae that have not led to college; and investigate the option of a late bus fee program for students involved in after-school programs or sports.

"The SHS Council is comprised of students, teachers, parents and community members. The group has embarked on publishing a newsletter and plans on creating a web page in the future.

"The Stoneham Chamber of Commerce is looking to sponsor an adult mentorship program for ninth grade SHS students. The pilot program which Connelly called 'an exciting new venture,' will take place in the 2000-2001 school year.

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From S-1

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My sister Maureen told her husband Kevin "help Johnny with his math homework while you can, next year he goes into the fifth grade." Folks, when life hands you a lemon there is only one thing to do - "Make Lemonade!"

I bought a suit with two pairs of pants and I burned a "hole in the coat." I came home from work and I asked Tommy, "What are you mad about?" "Well," he said, "if you must know, I had an argument with your wife." Sometimes I should take W.C. Field's advice - "If at first you

don't succeed, Try, Try again, then, for crying out loud Quit" there is no sense being a fool about it.

I remember at my niece Christine's wedding reception I went down to the head table for another helping of ice cream and cake. I got halfway back to my table when Kathy shouted, "Why you idiot, this is the fourth time you have gone for ice cream and cake. I suppose when you finish that, you will go again?" "Of course I will," I said, "I'll keep telling them that

A dentist's car generally has two plates, an upper and a lower plate. Folks, I found out the hard way that the most - yes, the very most important part of a wedding reception is the seating arrangement. We made the mistake of seating Aunt Nora at the same table with Uncle Mario. WOW! So folks, find out who isn't taking to whom, etc. I told Blackie Vega, "Liquor will never wash away your troubles - it will only irrigate them."

Beauty is more important to a woman than intelligence because men have better eyesight than brains. Folks, an educated heart is something you have if you know how to bring a little happiness in someone else's life and you do it. It means you know something wonderful to say about someone, and you say it. If you can do that, what a wonderful person you must be!

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200 SWANTON ST U:304 purchased by David & Mildred Burke from Joseph & Audrey Errico for \$569,000.

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At its core is a vaulted and skylit living room rimmed by wide rear windows. This is an exceptionally bright and spacious gathering space. Potted plants thrive on the high shelf that spans openings to the foyer and dining. Flames and warmth from the two-sided gas fireplace can be enjoyed from living room, kitchen and nook.

Working in this kitchen, you need never feel isolated. A

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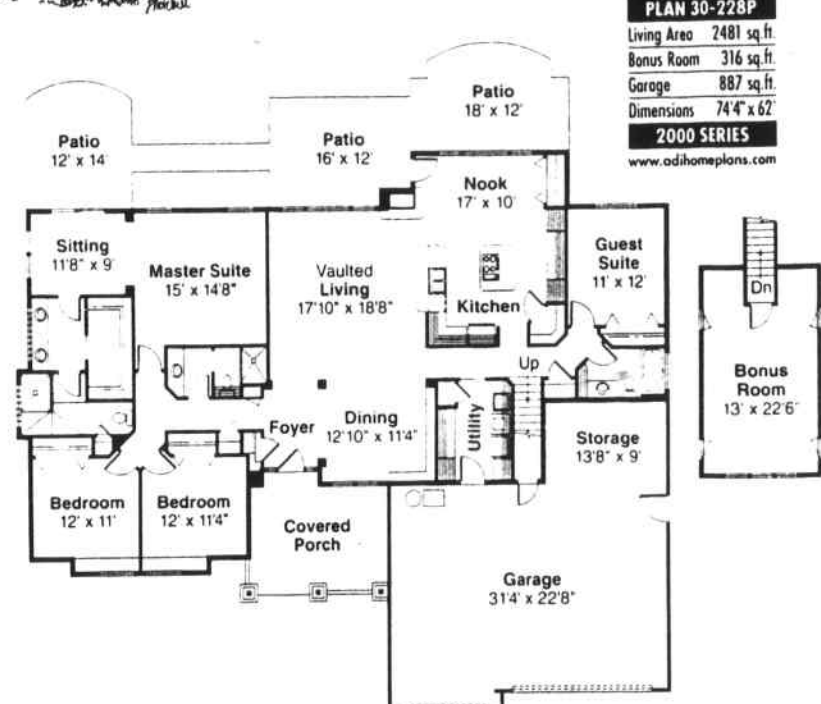
Counters and cupboard space are amply supplied. A large work island is at center, with long counters, lazy Susan shelving, and two pantries wrapping around three sides. In the nook, a built-in desk nestles into an alcove that can be hidden behind bifold doors.

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In response, a respected laboratory that certifies natural gas appliances - International Approval Service, formerly the A.G.A. Laboratories - has tightened its standards for testing and certifying new carbon monoxide detectors. Before these device can bear the A.G.A. Blue Star seal, they must meet several new requirements.

New IAS-certified carbon monoxide (CO) alarms will not sound if the level of CO detected is only at a "nuisance" level, which can be caused by a car starting up in an attached garage or by elevated outdoor levels of CO. In addition, instructions will clearly tell consumers who hear an alarm to evacuate the premises and call an emergency response unit.

According to National Safety Council Statistics, consumers are more likely to die from a falling object, drowning in a bathtub or inhaling or ingesting food than from CO poisoning. Nonetheless, A.G.A. emphasizes that consumers should help pre-

vent CO incidents in the home by ensuring that home appliances and equipment are installed, maintained and used properly. An annual inspection of heating equipment and venting by a qualified technician is recommended, A.G.A. says, with installation of a CO alarm as an additional safeguard.

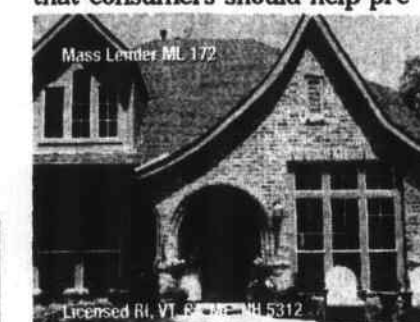
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Cleaning Tips to Suit Your Lifestyle is a brochure based on research conducted by Reckitt & Colman, the maker of LYSOL Brand Products, which showed that Americans approach housecleaning with a variety of attitudes. Factors such as more hectic lifestyles and more women in the workforce have resulted in less time for cleaning, and a nation of four distinct cleaning personalities:

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It's common knowledge that you can extend the life of a paint job by using a top quality paint. However, what you may not know is that you can get a more durable and better-looking paint job by using the right type and quality of brushes and rollers.

Here are some helpful tips from the experts at the Rohm and Haas Paint Quality Institute on choosing the quality painting tools that will help make your next project an unqualified success.

Brushes. Brushes are available in two basic types: those made with natural bristles, and those with synthetic bristles. Natural-bristle brushes should be used only when applying alkyd or oil-based paints. (If you use a natural-bristle brush to apply a latex paint, the bristles will absorb the water from the paint, rendering them limp and difficult to work with.) Synthetic-bristle brushes can be used to apply latex paints, and many can also be used with alkyd products.

Quality brushes share the following characteristics:

- they have split or "flagged"

ends and are flexible at their tips, which helps produce a finer finish;

- they are tapered such that the bristles in the center are slightly longer than those at the edge, which helps lay the paint down smoothly and evenly;

- they typically are at least half-again as long as they are wide (for example, the bristles on a 2"-wide brush should be at least 3" in length).

The reasons it is important to use quality brushes is that, compared to economy brushes, they apply paint in a thicker, smoother film, which provides maximum hiding and sheen uniformity. Conversely, lower quality brushes often leave ridges in the paint where dirt can collect and mildew can grow; paint with brush marks in it can even fail earlier in the "thin spots."

Keep in mind that different brushes serve different purposes. A 4" brush with tightly packed bristles in a 3/4" to 1" thickness is best for general exterior painting, while a 3" brush serves most general interior painting purposes. A 2" brush can be used to cut-in corners for interior work. An

angled sash brush, 1" to 2 1/2" wide, is ideal for painting both interior and exterior trim, window frames and moldings.

- **Rollers.** Many people prefer to use rollers, rather than brushes, because they apply paint much more quickly. When working with rollers, keep in mind that, as with brushes, only synthetic roller covers should be used to apply latex paint.

For the best results, choose high quality roller covers. Better quality roller covers will...

- retain their shape when squeezed;

- have no obvious seams (these can cause noticeable streaks in the finished paint job);

- have few loose fibers.

It is also important to select the right length of nap on the

roller cover. The general rule is that the smoother the surface, the shorter the nap; the rougher the surface, the longer the nap. Experts at the Paint Quality Institute offer these guidelines:

- on wallboard, smooth plaster, wood, or metal, use a short nap of 1/8" to 1/4";

- on light-textured stucco, concrete, or rough wood, use a medium nap of 3/8" to 1/2";

- on heavy-textured stucco, concrete block, or brick, use a long nap of 3/4" to 1".

Roller cage frames come in a variety of styles. U-shaped frames are generally more sturdy. When choosing frames, be sure to select those that are sealed on the ends to help keep the paint on the roller, where it belongs.

- **Paint pads.** Paint pads are



helpful in applying paint in hard-to-reach places - in corners and behind radiators, for example. Most paint pads are made of plastic foam or other synthetic materials; these are suitable for both latex and alkyd paints.

For more information on achieving a quality paint job, visit the Paint Quality Institute's Web site at www.paintquality.com.

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The Mission of Deeds in Reading, a facility that collects furniture and household items to distribute to needy families served by social service organizations received a \$1,000 grant from the Massachusetts Association of REALTORS Charitable and Educational Foundation Housing Grant Program.

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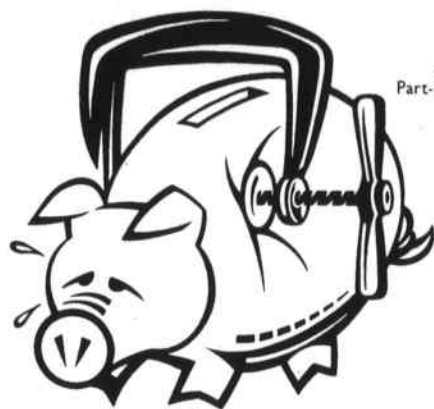
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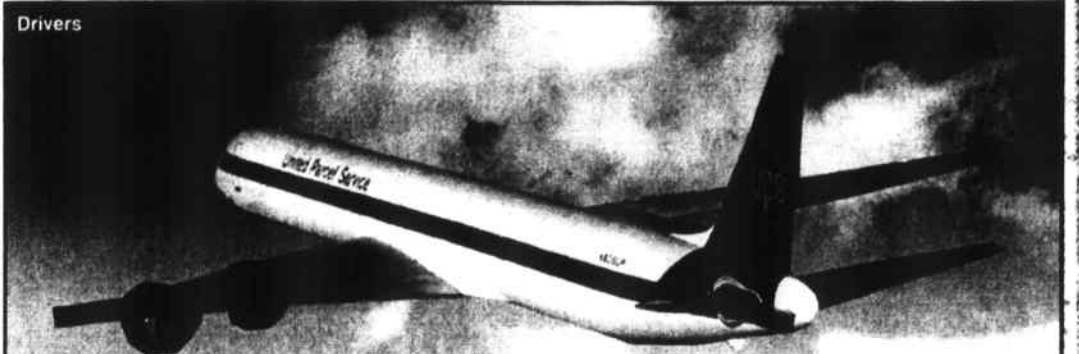
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